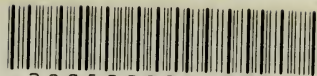


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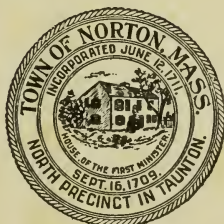
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OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF NORTON

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER

George E. Smith

SELECTMEN

Charles E. Flaherty,	Term expires	1942
John B. Scott,	" "	1943
Vinton I. Reynolds,	" "	1944

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Carl J. Bottomley,	Term expires	1942
Bernard A. Cabisius,	" "	1943
W. Robert LaChappelle,	" "	1944

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Arthur M. Freeman,	Term expires	1943
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ASSESSORS

William E. Fales,	Term expires	1942
E. Francis Lemaire,	" "	1943
Leonard A. Witherell,	" "	1944

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Helen Gavin,	Term expires	1942
Arthur L. Valentine,	" "	1943
Charles P. Kendall, Jr.,	Term to expire	1944

Mr. Kendall resigned September 7, 1941, and Ernest J. Knapton was appointed to fill the vacancy until the town election of 1942.

WATER COMMISSIONERS

Jesse Ridgeway,	Term expires	1942
Leonard A. Witherell,	" "	1943
Bertram F. Fales,	" "	1944

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

George E. Smith

CONSTABLES

Wilfred W. Becker
Frank A. Clapp
Carleton H. Draper
William R. Scott

Stephen Benaski
Ralph F. Clapp
Benjamin B. Scanlon
William J. Tucker

MODERATOR

Vinton I. Reynolds

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Edward Gwilliam

William R. Scott

Frank A. Hatch

CHIEF OF POLICE

Benjamin B. Scanlon

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Harold S. Woodward

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Oliver E. White

MOTH INSPECTOR

Bernard A. Cabisius

MILK INSPECTOR

W. Walter Becker

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS AND OF SLAUGHTERING

Alphee Pelletier

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

W. Walter Becker

FIRE ENGINEERS

Howard A. Foster	Albert S. Lincoln
Hollis Rand	George Richmond
Arthur Ross	Bert Wetherell
Harold Wetherell	Oliver White
Harold S. Woodward	

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Elwin Nason,	Term expires 1942
Albert F. Woodward	“ “ 1943
Homer L. Lane,	“ “ 1944

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Terms expire 1942

Thomas F. Manning	Clifford Reynolds
Henry I. Shaw	George J. Traviss

Albert F. Woodward

Terms expire 1943

Oscar Bellavance	Philip A. Gavin
George E. Smith	Fred C. Roach

Benedict J. Yelle

Terms expire 1944

John G. Adair	Lester M. Johnson
Lloyd T. Packer	Arthur Ross

Arthur T. Sturdy, Jr.

REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE OF OFFICIALS

ASSESSORS—Town Hall. Second Monday of each month
at 8.00 P. M.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE—Town Hall. First Monday
and third Thursday of each month. 7.30 P. M.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE. Last Monday of each month at the
high school. 7.30 P. M.

SELECTMEN—Town Hall. First Monday and third Thursday of each month. 8.00 P. M.

WATER COMMISSIONERS—Town Hall. First Tuesday of each month, 7.30 P. M.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

In checking the town clerk's records of appointments with that of the selectmen's at the close of the year, it appeared that a number of appointees had not filed their appointment.

The importance of a complete and up-to-date list at this office is evident as calls are continually received asking information regarding all officers.

In a final check of unlicensed dogs with the dog officer, the clerk's record showed that the owners of 43 male and 9 female dogs listed by the assessors had not procured licenses. It should be brought to the attention of those keeping unlicensed dogs that a license and tag is a valuable insurance. The cost of anti-rabic treatment is reimbursed by the County in case of licensed dogs but the costs may be collected from those harboring dogs without license.

The appointment of Miss Doris Durgin as assistant town clerk was made October 29 and confirmed at the State House under the provisions of Chapter 41 G. L. Miss Durgin is qualified for the duties both by ability and experience in office work.

The vital statistics records, 1859-1900 are in need of repairs for their preservation. It will not be an expensive job. The records are under the handwriting of George Faber Clark, 1859-60; Austin Messinger, 1861-82, and Jacob A. Leonard, 1883-1900.

SELECTMEN'S APPOINTMENTS

Fence Viewers—Arthur E. Sweet, Benjamin B. Scanlon.
Dog Officer—Benjamin B. Scanlon.

Special Police—Alfred S. Thornton, Carleton H. Draper,
William R. Scott, Bernard S. Cabisius, Howard A.
Richards, Kenneth J. MacLeod, Stephen Benaski.
Forest Warden—Oliver E. White.
Cemetery Commissioners—Francis W. Hatch, Edward
Gwilliam, William R. Scott.
Registrar of Voters for Three Years—Homer L. Lane.
Public Weighers for one year—Cecil T. Bailey, Lewis J.
Benson, Frederick Roach, Arthur C. Wood, Walter C.
S. Wood.
W. P. A. Referral Agent—Bernard A. Cabisius.
Moth Superintendent—Bernard A. Cabisius.
Superintendent of Streets—Harold S. Woodward.
Chief of Police—Benjamin B. Scanlon.
Inspector of Animals—Alphee Pelletier.
Inspector of Slaughtering—Alphee Pelletier.
Burial Agent—Frank L. Ludovici.
Milk Inspector—W. Walter Becker.
Sealer of Weights and Measures—W. Walter Becker.
Inspector of Petroleum Products—W. Walter Becker.
Agent of Board of Health—Elmer W. Clarke, M.D.
Industrial Accident Agent—Arthur M. Freeman.
Member of Reforestation Committee for three years—
Special Police—John McFarlane, Michael Radevich, Fran-
cis W. Hatch.

JUNK LICENSES RECORDED

William Famillant, Brockton, Mass.; Israel Buchler,
Central Falls, R. I.; Hyman Perleman, Providence, R. I.;
Sam Teacher, Attleboro, Mass.
Auctioneer's License, Benjamin B. Scanlon.
Pool Table, Edward T. Roberts, Albert Burton.

LIST OF COMMON VICTUALLERS' LICENSES

Alfred J. Poudrier, Chartley; Edward T. Roberts,
Chartley; Polo Diner, William E. Jette; Twin Elms, Lottie

Barboza; Oscar Bellavance, Barrows Street; Marty's Coffee Shop, Main Street; Wheaton Inn, Main Street; Old Colony Inn, Taunton Avenue; Herbert Westgate, Taunton Avenue; The Frolic Club, Benjamin C. Lounsbury, Treas.; Lantern Lodge, Gwendolyn P. Rafter, Pleasant Street; Interlude House, Smith Street; Mae Robinson, Mansfield Avenue; Lawrence S. Reinhard, Bay Road; The Chicken Coop, Main Street; Alyce J. Fuller, Bay Road; Bristol Farms, Everett Leonard, Main Street.

LIST OF JURORS

List of Jurors prepared July 1, 1941, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 348, Acts of 1907 and any Acts and Amendments thereto.

Name	Occupation
Adair, John G.	Meat dealer
Ash, Charles P.	Printer
Clapp, A. Avery	Clerk
Crowe, Frank	Laundryman
Foster, Alton H.	Electrician
Freeman, Carlos	Farmer
Gay, Walter	Jeweler
Hallihan, John Jr.	Jeweler
Hixon, Lawrence	Tree Surgeon
Hope, Roland	Clerk
Johnson, Perry	Jeweler
Leonard, Everett W.	Salesman
Ludovici, Frank L.	Woolsorter
MacLeod, Kenneth	Farmer
Madden, James	Mill Hand
McFarlane, John	Clerk
Moran, Thomas F.	Jeweler
Radevicz, Michael	Jeweler
Reynolds, Morris E.	Jeweler
Reynolds, Vinton	Bricklayer
Rubin, Lewis	Farmer
Scott, Hugh C.	Farmer

Titus, Clifford A.
Travis, William
Tully, Alton T.
Ward, Harold B
Wilson, Harry
Wood, Arthur C.

Jeweler
Retired
Hospital Attendant
Carpenter
Boxmaker
Grain Dealer

VINTON I. REYNOLDS,
JOHN B. SCOTT.
CHARLES E. FLAHERTY,
Selectmen of Norton

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

The Registrars have held meetings as required by law for registering voters and certifying nomination papers.

At the close of registration the total number appearing on the lists was 1610; 740 women, and 870 men.

HOMER L. LANE,
ALBERT F. WOODWARD,
ELWIN NASON,
GEORGE E. SMITH,
Board of Registrars

GEORGE E. SMITH, Town Clerk

CEMETERY LOT TRUST FUNDS, 1941

March 14. Received of Alice M. Illingworth the sum of \$150.00, a perpetual care trust fund to be known as the Edwin S. Pearse Fund. The money to be securely invested and the interest used for the perpetual care and upkeep of the Edwin S. Pearse lot in the Common Cemetery. (Mrs. Illingworth requests that the interest be allowed to accumulate until such time as she may designate; until such time she will personally care for the lot.)

- May 7. Received of Lucy E. Fletcher, 95 Brown Street, Providence, R. I., the sum of \$100.00 for a perpetual care cemetery trust fund, the income to be used for the upkeep of the Fletcher No. 312 lot in the Common Cemetery. The fund to be known as the George Fletcher Fund.
- May 26. Received of Mrs. Arthur A. Page, \$100.00 for a perpetual care burial lot trust fund to be known as **the Thomas Card Fund**, the interest to be used for **the care** and upkeep of the Card lot in the Common Cemetery.
- June 3. Received of Mrs. Edward E. Ware the sum of \$100.00 for a perpetual care burial lot trust fund to be known as the Edward Everett Ware fund. The interest to be used for the care and upkeep of the Edward E. Ware lot in the Center Cemetery.
- June 24. Received of G. A. Shook \$100.00 for a perpetual care trust fund to be known as the G. A. Shook fund. The interest to be used for the care and upkeep of the G. A. Shook lot in the Center Cemetery.
- October 18. Received of Raymond C. Inman, Attleboro, Massachusetts, \$100.00 for a perpetual care cemetery fund to be known as the Inman Burial Lot fund; the money to be securely invested and the interest to be used for the perpetual care and upkeep of the Inman lot No. 284A in the Norton Common Cemetery.
- November 6. Received of Mrs. Leslie F. Eddy and Miss Mary A. Fiske, \$200.00; an endowment of the burial lots of Benjamin S. Fiske and Clifford A. L. Eddy, designated as Lot No. 14 in the Common Cemetery. The interest to be used for the care and upkeep of said lot. The fund to be known as the Benjamin S. Fiske and Clifford A. L. Eddy fund.
- November 6. Received of Charles H. Scott \$100.00 for a perpetual care burial lot trust fund to be known as the Charles H. Scott fund—the interest to be used for the care and upkeep of said lot in the Common Cemetery.

GEORGE E. SMITH, Town Treasurer.

CITIZENS' CAUCUS, 1941

A caucus of qualified voters of the Town of Norton was called by the town committee and held in accordance with the provisions of the law relating thereto at the town hall on the 12th day of February, 1941, at 8 o'clock P. M. and the following nominations of candidates for town officers were made, viz.:

Town Clerk, one year—George E. Smith, Mansfield avenue.
Town Treasurer, one year—George E. Smith, Mansfield avenue.

Tax Collector, one year—George E. Smith, Mansfield avenue.

Selectman, three years—Vinton I. Reynolds, Main street.

Assessor, three years—Leonard A. Witherell, Main street.

Board of P. W., three years—W. Robert LaChapelle, Worcester street.

Water Commissioner, three years—Bertram F. Fales, Pleasant street.

Tree Warden, one year—Lawrence Hixon, Pleasant street.

Constables, one year—Stephen Benaski, Pine street; Frank A. Clapp, Clapp street; Ralph Clapp, Taunton avenue; Wilfred Becker, Washington street; Carleton S. Draper, Washington street; Percy L. Hinds, Washington street; George A. Nesbit, Sr., Newland street. Benjamin B. Scanlon, Library Square; William R. Scott, Taunton avenue; William J. Tucker, Main street.

School Committee, three years—Charles P. Kendall, Jr., Main street.

Moderator, one year—Vinton I. Reynolds, Main street.

Town Committee, one year—Bernard A. Cabisius, Main street; Frank A. Clapp, Clapp street; Arthur L. Valentine, North Worcester street.

Voted that in case of death, withdrawal or ineligibility of the candidate or candidates, the vacancy be filled by the town committee.

Frank A. Clapp presided at this caucus; George E. Smith was appointed clerk, and the tellers were Edward H. Schissler, Carl J. Bottomley.

About 38 attended the caucus. Adjourned at 9:10 P. M.

GEORGE E. SMITH, Clerk

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, 1941

Bristol, ss.

To Frank A. Clapp or either of the Constables of the Town
of Norton. Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Norton to meet in the town hall in said Norton on Monday evening the third day of March, 1941, at eight o'clock then and there to act on the following articles; and you are also hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of said town to meet in the town hall in said Norton on Monday, March 10, 1941, at 12 o'clock noon, to elect one selectman, one assessor, one member of the board of water commissioners, one member of the school committee, one member of the board of public welfare each for a term of three years. Also a town clerk, a treasurer, a collector of taxes, and one or more constables, a tree warden, and a moderator, all to serve one year. The polls may be closed at 8 o'clock P. M.

Article 1. To choose all other officers required by law, and not provided for on the ballot.

Art. 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the report of the town officers.

Art. 3. To determine the salaries of the town officers for the ensuing year in accordance with Chapter 41, Sec. 108, General Laws, viz.: town clerk, treasurer, selectmen, board of public welfare, assessors, collector of taxes, moder-

ator, tree warden, constables, water commissioners, and school committee.

Art. 4. To raise and appropriate money to defray the expenses of the town for the ensuing year.

- (a) For repairs and improvements of roads.
- (b) For repairs and improvements of bridges and railings and other necessary tools and equipment.
- (c) For the support of schools, school supplies, transportation, salary of the superintendent, school physician, attendance officer and repairs.
- (d) For the maintenance and operating expenses of the water department.
- (e) For the support of the public library.
- (f) For Memorial Day exercises.
- (g) For the care and repairs of the Common at the Center.
- (h) For the maintenance and running expenses of the fire department.
- (i) For payment of state and military aid.
- (j) For payment of soldiers' relief.
- (k) For public welfare and aid to dependent children.
- (l) For the expense of the board of health.
- (m) For payment of the town debt.
- (n) For interest on town debt and temporary loans.
- (o) For the expense and prevention of forest fires.
- (p) For the expense of the police department.
- (q) For the expense of the tree warden.
- (r) For the expenses of the town hall.
- (s) For registration and election expenses, including salaries.
- (t) For general government including salaries and expenses of the following town officers: Town clerk, treasurer, selectmen, board of public welfare, assessors, collector of taxes, accountant, and moderator.
- (u) For an appropriation in pursuance of Chapter 436, Act of 1936, Old Age Assistance law.
- (v) For the expense of the sealer of weights and measures.
- (w) For the printing and delivering of the town reports.

- (x) For the insurance of public buildings, compensation insurance and insurance of all town trucks including the fire trucks, in accordance with Chapter 403, Acts of 1936.
- (y) For removal of snow.
- (z) For the salary of a nurse for work in the public schools for the current year.

Art. 5. To raise and appropriate money for the suppression of the gypsy and brown tail moths.

Art. 6. To raise and appropriate money for the town's proportion of the annual maintenance of the Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital.

Art. 7. To see what action the town will take to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquor in town and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to authorize the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1941, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Art. 9. To raise and appropriate money for legal services.

Art. 10. To raise and appropriate money for street lighting.

Art. 11. To hear the report of the committee on reforestation, including repairs on the town farm and take any action thereon.

Art. 12. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out the recommendation of the reforestation committee regarding reforestation.

Art. 13. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out the recommendations of the reforestation committee regarding repairs at the town farm, to be expended under the supervision of said committee.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to authorize any board of town officials to appoint any of their number to any other office and fix the compensation according to Chapter 41, Section 4A, General Laws.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for a reserve fund as authorized by Chapter 40, General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the state or county or both, under Chapter 90 for the maintenance of Chapter 90 roads in town, or take any action in relation thereto.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money in addition to the balance remaining in the 1938 appropriation, to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the state or county or both, under Chapter 90, for the construction of a section of tarvia road on Eddy street, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with the W. P. A., or any other Federal allotments.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the surplus revenue to reduce the tax rate of 1941, subject to the General Laws.

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Machinery Equipment Fund to the Machinery Equipment Account, for the purpose of repairing and operating road machinery.

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Machinery Equipment Fund for the purpose of replacing and purchasing the following equipment for the highway department; refilling the street sweeper; new tank for water cart; power plant for crusher, a new truck and a tractor; or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote to accept Charlotte avenue, so called, according to the lay-out made by the selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said street, or take any other action relative thereto.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water main on North Worcester street for a distance of 4000 feet, or take any action relative thereto. (By petition.)

Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water main on Old Colony Road from the corner of Main street and North and South Worcester streets, to the junction of said Old Colony Road and Pleasant street, or take any action relative thereto. (By petition.)

Art. 25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water main from Perry's Corner, so called, at the junction of Main and Washington streets southerly along Washington street to the junction of Washington and Plain streets, or take any other action relative thereto.

Art. 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water main from Mansfield avenue to and along Reservoir street to the Mansfield town line, or take any other action relative thereto. (By petition.)

Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for general repairs and painting of town hall, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 28. To see if the town will vote to authorize twelve additional street lights to be located as follows: one light on Barrows street near the Barrowsville Post Office; two lights on Sturdy street, two lights on Clapp street; three lights on Oak street; one light on South Worcester street near the junction of South Worcester and Barrows street; two lights on North Worcester street near residences of John H. Sinclair and Minnie Valentine; one light on Main street near Norton Center School, and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any other action relative thereto. (By petitions and requests.)

Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of constructing a new hard surfaced sidewalk from Chartley Corner on Main street to the Sturdy School on South Worcester street, or take any other action thereon. (By petition.)

Art. 30. To see if the town will adopt a by-law establishing a planning board under the provisions of General Laws (Ter. ed.) Chapter 41, Section 81A. (Acts of 1936) Chapter 211, with all the powers and duties therein and any existing by-laws of the town provided, to consist of five members, to be elected by ballot at the annual town

meeting in March, 1942, one for a term of one year, one for a term of two years, one for a term of three years, and one for a term of four years, and one for a term of five years, and thereafter in accordance with the provisions of the statute, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Art. 31. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase and installation of a sprinkler system on one or more school buildings, or take any other action relative thereto. (By request of School Committee.)

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies of the body of the same at each of the public meeting houses and at least three other public places in said town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this third day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred forty-one.

VINTON I. REYNOLDS,
JOHN B. SCOTT,
CHARLES E. FLAHERTY,

Selectmen of Norton

Norton, Mass., March 3, 1941

Bristol, ss.

I have served this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the public meeting houses in said town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

FRANK A. CLAPP,

Constable of Norton

RECORD OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, 1941

Business meeting was held on March 3rd, according to the Warrant when the following action on the various articles was taken.

Art. 1. Under this article the following nominations were made and by vote without dissent were declared elected:

Measurers of Lumber—Arthur E. Sweet, Frederick C. Woodward, Daniel A. Woodward, Albert S. Lincoln and Francis J. Murphy.

Measurers of Wood—Arthur E. Sweet, Lewis B. Woodward, Walter C. S. Wood, Arthur C. Wood, Thomas A. Beaman, E. Clifton Becker, Oliver E. White and Albert S. Lincoln.

Pound Keeper—Julius Leonard.

Finance Committee (Received for record March 12)—Arthur Ross, Lester M. Johnson, John G. Adair, Lloyd T. Packer, Arthur L. Sturdy, Jr.

Art. 2. Voted to accept the town reports.

Art. 3. Recommended by the finance committee that the salaries of the town officers be the same as last year with the exception of the Board of Public Welfare, that should receive no salary. Motion amended by Carl Bottomley "that their salary be the same as last year, namely, \$100 each." Amendment adopted and voted the salaries be: Town Clerk, \$150.00; Town Treasurer, \$500.00; Selectmen, \$150.00 each; Assessors, \$350.00 each; Collector of Taxes, \$500.00; Welfare Board, \$300.00 (\$100.00 each); Accountant, \$500.00; Moderator, \$20.00; Total, \$3,470.00.

Article 4.—

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| (a) | For repairs and improvements of roads | |
| | Chapter 81, | \$ 5,700.00 |
| (b) | For repairs and improvement of bridges | |
| | as per article, | 400.00 |
| (c) | For the support of schools, as per article | 45,490.00 |
| (d) | For the maintenance and operating ex- | |

	penses of the water department, voted the sum of	8,500.00
(e)	For the support of the public library,	1,000.00
(f)	For Memorial Day exercises,	150.00
(g)	For the care and repairs of the Common at the Center,	50.00
(h)	For the maintenance and operating expenses of the fire department,	3,000.00
(i)	For the payment of state and military aid,	200.00
(j)	For the payment of soldiers' relief,	800.00
(k)	For public welfare and aid to dependent children,	11,404.00
	(Public welfare \$7,500; aid to dependent children \$2,500; administration for relief, \$1,404.00)	.
(l)	For the expense of the Board of Health,	1,200.00
(m)	For the payment of town debt,	6,000.00
(n)	For interest on town debt and temporary loans,	2,350.00
(o)	For the expense and prevention of forest fires,	500.00
(p)	For the expense of the police department,	1,800.00
(q)	For the expense of the tree warden,	100.00
(r)	For the expense of the town hall,	700.00
(s)	For the registration and election expenses, including salaries,	448.00
(t)	For general government including salaries and expenses of the following town officers: Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Assessors, Collector of Taxes, Accountant, and Moderator. Voted:	

	Salary	Expenses
Town Clerk,	\$ 150.00	\$ 275.00
Treasurer,	500.00	635.00*
Collector,	500.00	700.00*
Selectmen, \$150 ea.	450.00	275.00
Assessors, \$350 ea.	1,050.00	400.00
Accountant,	500.00	200.00
Moderator,	20.00	.....

Welfare Board,	300.00	.....	
	<u>\$3,470.00</u>	<u>\$2,485.00</u>	
			\$5,955.00
(u) For an appropriation for Old Age Assistance, Chapter 436, Act of 1936,			17,975.00
(v) For the expense of the sealer of weights and measures,			140.00
(w) For the printing and delivering of the annual town reports,			354.50
(x) For insurance of public buildings, etc., as per article,			2,700.00
(y) For the removal of snow,			1,500.00
(z) For the salary of a nurse for work in the public schools,			900.00
Art. 5. Voted under this article (moth work),			\$700.00.
Art. 6. Voted under this article B. C. T. B. Hospital,			\$1,861.66.
Art. 7. Voted to dismiss from the Warrant.			
Art. 8. Voted that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1941, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws and any amendments thereto.			
Art. 9. Voted for legal services,			\$50.00.
Art. 10. Action deferred until Article 28 was acted upon. After the vote under Article 28 was taken it was voted to raise and appropriate \$1,975.86 for street lighting.			
Art. 11. The report of the reforestation committee was read by the chairman, Mrs. J. K. Milliken, and was accepted to be placed on file and printed in the annual town report, and thanks were extended Mrs. Milliken for the work done in this department.			
Art. 12. Voted the sum of \$150.00 be appropriated from the "Sale of Pines" fund for reforestation work as per article.			

* Includes part time clerk hire.

Art. 13. Voted the sum of \$50.00 be appropriated from the "Sale of Pines" fund under this article.

Art. 14. Voted the selectmen appoint a clerk of the board at a salary of \$75.00 per year; water board to appoint a clerk of the board at a salary of \$200.00; school committee to appoint a clerk of the board at a salary of \$50.00 per year; welfare board to appoint a clerk at a salary of \$15.00 per week.

Art. 15. Voted for a reserve fund \$2,000.00; \$100.00 to be appropriated from the school repair fund, and \$1,900.00 to be transferred from the surplus overlay of 1936.

Art. 16. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the state or county or both under Chapter 90 for the maintenance of Chapter 90 roads in town.

Art. 17. Voted to raise and appropriate \$1,500.00 to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the state or county, or both, under Chapter 90 for the construction of a section of tarvia road on Eddy street; \$1,162.99 to be raised by taxation and \$337.01, a balance left over from 1940, appropriated.

Art. 18. Voted to raise and appropriate \$1,000.00 to be used in conjunction with the W. P. A. or any other federal allotments.

Art. 19. Voted to appropriate the sum of \$13,000.00 from the surplus revenue or so much thereof as may be authorized by the commissioner of taxation, to reduce the tax rate of 1941.

Art. 20. Voted to transfer the sum of \$2,200.00 from the Machinery Equipment Fund to the Machinery Equipment Account, for the purpose of repairing and operating road machinery.

Art. 21. Voted to appropriate the sum of \$2,530.00 from the Machinery Equipment Fund to cover items requested by the highway department, viz.: \$55.00 for repairs to street sweeper; \$75.00 repairs to the water cart; \$500.00 for power plant for crusher; \$1900.00 for tractor and trade in.

Art. 22. Voted to accept 700 feet of the layout of Charlotte avenue, so called, according to Plan for layout of Charlotte avenue, Norton, Massachusetts, October 10, 1940, or so much of said 700 feet as may be completed, ready for

surfacing, for \$700.00; beginning at Bay Road; provided all necessary releases are obtained by the selectmen from abutting land owners and that \$700.00 be raised and appropriated for this purpose.

Art. 23. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 to extend the water main on North Worcester street for a distance of 4,000 feet provided the cost of labor be assumed under a W. P. A. grant.

Art. 24. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000.00 to extend the water main on Old Colony road from the corner of Main and South Worcester streets to the junction of Old Colony road and Pleasant street, provided that the cost of labor be assumed under a W. P. A. grant.

Art. 25. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,500.00 to extend the water main from Perry's Corner, so called, at the junction of Main and Washington streets, southerly along Washington street to the junction of Washington and Plain streets, provided that the cost of labor be assumed under a W. P. A. grant.

Art. 26. Voted to dismiss this article from the Warrant.

Art. 27. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$760.00 for general repairs and repainting the town hall.

Art. 28. Voted to authorize thirteen additional street lights under an amended motion by Charles Regan, to be located as follows: One at Sturdy School corner; two on Sturdy street; one on Barrows street near the Post Office; two on Clapp street; three on Oak street; one on South Worcester street near junction of South Worcester and Barrows streets; two on North Worcester street near the residences of Mr. John H. Sinclair and of Minnie Valentine; one on Main street near the Center High School.

Art. 29. Voted to dismiss from the Warrant.

Art. 30. Voted to dismiss from the Warrant.

Art. 31. Voted to dismiss from the Warrant.

The meeting was now adjourned until Monday March 10, 1941, at 12 o'clock noon, and at this time the balloting for candidates for town officers was done. Frank A. Clapp, constable, was in charge of the ballot box, and the following tellers and ballot clerks were appointed:

Edward H. Schissler, George A. Nesbit, Jr., Everett W. Leonard, Alfred A. Clapp, Morris E. Reynolds, Lewis S.

Rubin, Ernest W. Wood, Alfred G. Grund, Frank J. Teixeira, Jr., Alton H. Foster, Arthur C. Wood, Lena M. Whitaker, Emma Radnor.

Nine hundred fifty-five (955) votes were cast and the results announced at 10:30 P. M., were as follows:

Town Clerk (for one year):

George E. Smith,	759
Blanks,	196
	955

Town Treasurer (for one year):

George E. Smith,	770
Blanks,	185
	955

Collector of Taxes (for one year):

George E. Smith,	770
Blanks,	185
	955

Selectman (for three years):

Vinton I. Reynolds,	520
John H. Sinclair,	415
Blanks,	20
	955

Assessor (for three years):

Leonard A. Witherell,	777
Blanks,	178
	955

Board of Public Welfare (for three years):

W. Robert LaChapelle,	740
Blanks,	215
	955

Water Commissioner (for three years):

Stephen Benaski,	323
Bertram F. Fales,	566
Blanks,	66
	955

Tree Warden (for one year) :

Lawrence W. Hixon,	346
Albert S. Lincoln,	530
Blanks,	79

 955

Constables (for one year) (First eight elected) :

Wilfred W. Becker,	646
Stephen Benaski,	529
Frank A. Clapp,	698
Ralph F. Clapp,	396
Carleton H. Draper,	680
Benjamin B. Scanlon,	636
William R. Scott,	668
William J. Tucker,	478
Harold E. Davis,	246
John Dumont,	213
Daniel Murphy,	117
Percy L. Hinds,	388
George A. Nesbitt, Sr.,	240
Blanks,	1705

 7640

School Committee (for three years) :

Charles P. Kendall, Jr.,	668
Varney W. Mosher,	220
Blanks,	107

 955

Moderator (for one year) :

Vinton I. Reynolds,	712
Blanks,	243

 955

Town Committee (for one year) :

Bernard A. Cabisius,	713
Frank A. Clapp,	741
Arthur L. Valentine,	724
Blanks,	687

 2865

At the announcement of the results the meeting adjourned.

GEORGE E. SMITH, Town Clerk

REPORT OF REFORESTATION COMMITTEE

March 3, 1941

Town Forests:

Fourteen new town forests were established during this last year totalling 3,350 acres. There are now 121 towns that have placed land under the town forest act, and the total area is 35,844 acres—on which more than 6,300,000 trees have been planted. The large increase this year was due in a large measure to the co-operation of the Massachusetts Federation of Women's Clubs and many individual garden clubs. Twenty or more towns are including articles in their town warrants this spring. The use of tax-title lands for this purpose is becoming a popular method of adding to the town forest.

The Massachusetts Forest and Park Association is sponsoring a number of bills pertaining to forestry and conservation to be presented at the present session of the general court. Among these are a special forest taxation law, a forest management bill and a bill to encourage the rehabilitation of lands devastated by the hurricane of 1938. In the rehabilitation bill it is stated that no trees shall be sold to private owners or distributed for reforestation without first having the areas to be planted examined by a state forester, as to soil to determine what species of trees should be planted, etc.

It will perhaps be of special interest to our citizens to know that there is an act before the legislature for the adoption of a state bird and a state tree. Ballots were sent out to organizations, to schools, and to members of the Forest

and Park Association with the result that the chicadee and the elm received the largest number of votes.

Dutch Elm Disease:

Last summer brought one of the worst out-breaks of the elm tree beetle in this section of the country in many years. This naturally weakened the elms and they were thus more susceptible to other insects and diseases. The beetle, of course, can be controlled by spraying late in June with arsenate of lead. Later spraying does not accomplish a great deal. The Dutch Elm Disease has not yet been found in Massachusetts, even though it exists within four miles of its border. Two trees in Great Barrington, practically dead, were reported as infected, but no positive cultures were obtained. It was decided, however, that the two trees should be taken down and burned, and a careful inspection made of the region in the vicinity.

Much progress has been made in the fight to eradicate the disease, and research workers in the laboratory report that certain chemical substances show great promise in the treatment of diseased trees. The greatest vigilance is needed in detecting the disease, and citizens everywhere are urged to watch their elms, and report any unusual wilting of leaves in the spring or early summer, and to send specimens to the Dutch Elm Disease Laboratory at the State College at Amherst.

Of the appropriation of \$125.00, \$120.52 was paid out for labor, express on trees \$3.09 and \$1.00 for use of an automobile,—thus leaving a balance of \$.39. \$26.25 was received from Mr. Wallace Reynolds for the sale of logs and there is a small amount still to come from the sale of the smaller wood.

Two thousand red pines were obtained from the State and planted on certain areas at the town farm, part on the south side of the street and part on the north side where the trees had been blown down by the hurricane. On account of the exceedingly dry weather following the planting, some of these trees did not live. A roadway was cut from the street in to the Lincoln street tract. Some cleaning up and burning of trash was done. The three members of

your committee spent an afternoon examining all tracts which are included in our town forest, and the following recommendations are submitted:

The general recommendation that your committee wishes to make is that less planting be done this year and more attention given to trimming and clearing away trash growth which is interfering with the pines, which in most sections are showing excellent development,—the advice of a state forester to be obtained in carrying out the work.

Specific Recommendations

1. That one thousand pines be obtained from the state to fill in various spaces at the town farm tract.
2. That fire lines be trimmed out.
3. That the water hole in the south portion of the town town farm tract, on which a little work has been done, be finished.
4. That the grass surrounding the building be burned under the supervision of the Fire Department.
5. That investigation be made of any lands reverting to the town for non-payment of taxes, to see if any such lands could be profitably placed under the town forest act.
6. That the names of the town forest committee be printed in the town report with the year when the term of each member expires.

Respectfully submitted

GERTRUDE CORNISH MILLIKEN,

Chairman Reforestation Committee

REPORT OF TOWN FARM REPAIRS

March 3, 1941

- Very few repairs have been made this year up to March
1. Boards have been replaced in the front hall and toilets cleaned.

Expenditures

Cleaning Toilets,		\$ 5.00
Balance from 1939,	\$101.30	
Appropriation, 1940,	100.00	
		\$201.30
Spent,		5.00
Unexpended balance,		\$196.30

Receipts to March 1, 1941

House rent:		
In cash and collectible,		
Mr. Lincoln,	\$120.00	
Mr. Watson,	180.00	
Land rent—House in the Pines,	25.00	
		\$325.00
Expenditures,		5.00
Cash profit,		\$320.00
Rental in storage value to Town at \$12.50		
per month,		150.00
Total profit,		\$470.00

Recommendations

1. Repair and paint or paper walls in about four rooms.
2. Whiten ceilings where necessary.
3. Repair bulk-head, lattice work, piazza floor, and cement stone steps.
4. Small repairs in henhouse and barn.

Respectfully submitted,

GERTRUDE CORNISH MILLIKEN,

Chairman Reforestation Committee

STORED IN BARN, 1940-1941

1 Road Grader, 1 Street Sweeper, 1 Water Cart, 2
Snowplows, 1 Tractor, 1 Street Plough, 3 or 4 Gravel

Screens, 1 Truck, 1 Road Hone, arsenate of lead, in tramp house, snow fence in the summer, small articles.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

MAY 28, 1941

Bristol, ss.

To Frank A. Clapp, or either of the constables of the Town of Norton, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Norton to meet in the town hall in said Norton, on Wednesday the 28th day of May, 1941, at eight o'clock P. M., then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate an additional sum of money (\$1,425.00) for repairs and improvements of roads and in order to be eligible for assistance under the provisions of Sec. 26-29, Chapter 81, General Laws, Ter. ed., as amended by Chapter 366 of the Acts of 1934, and by Chapter 224 of the Acts of 1939; or take any other action in relation thereto.

2. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Safety Committees' activities or take any other action relative thereto.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies of the body of the same at each of the public meeting houses and at least three other public places in said town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting. Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting. Given under our hands this twenty-first day of May, in the year nineteen hundred forty-one.

VINTON I. REYNOLDS,
JOHN B. SCOTT,
CHARLES E. FLAHERTY,

Selectmen of Norton

Norton, May 28, 1941

I have served the above Warrant by posting attested copies at each of the meeting houses and at least three other places within the limits of said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

FRANK A. CLAPP,

Constable of Norton

RECORD OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

MAY 28, 1941

At the time and place of this meeting, the required number for a quorum had not gathered. However at 8.15 the legal number was secured and the meeting proceeded.

Article 1. Motion was made by Thomas Manning, chairman of the finance committee as recommended by them, "that the sum of \$1,425.00 be raised and appropriated for the repairs and improvements of roads under Chapter 81, General Laws. This in addition to the sum of \$5,700.00 voted for the purpose at the annual town meeting of March 3, 1941. The total sum thus raised and appropriated to be \$7,125.00 being \$125.00 per mile; the amount required by the State under the statutes. Seconded by Lester Johnson. Voted without dissent.

Art. 2. Chairman Thomas Manning stated it to be the feeling of the Finance Committee that at this time the Safety Committee might raise the funds needed, by subscription, thus giving the non-taxpayers an opportunity to contribute rather than shift the expense to those possessed of taxable property.

He then moved the recommendation of the finance committee that one hundred dollars be raised and appropriated under this article. Voted without dissent.

The meeting then adjourned.

GEORGE E. SMITH, Town Clerk

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1941

Date	Name	Address
Jan. 2	Augusto Azevedo Georgina F. Serras	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
14	Kenneth Drew Jeanette Pidgeon	Norton, Mass. Taunton, Mass.
22	Joseph Grabarz Frances L. Harlow	Raynham, Mass. Norton, Mass.
25	Ernest Froioli Nancy Papitto	Providence, R. I. Providence, R. I.
Feb. 1	William A. McLehose Lily S. Henry	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
2	Joseph A. Alves Menta I. Cataloni	Norton, Mass. Foxboro, Mass.
8	Joseph A. Marchand Carmina E. Lavorina	Central Falls, R. I. Pawtucket, R. I.
10	Frank Cerio Agnes Comachione	Providence, R. I. Providence, R. I.
22	Floyd Grant Josephine L. Abatiello	Barrington, R. I. Barrington, R. I.
Mar. 8	Macolm Haskell Ruth Bottomley	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
9	Joseph Warren Lucy R. Hubbard	Foxboro, Mass. Norton, Mass.
11	John F. Gillen Laura Pontes	Troy, N. Y. Troy, N. Y.
12	Edward A. Bland Evelyn L. Street	Providence, R. I. Providence, R. I.
14	John A. Dill Charlotte M. Goff	Mansfield, Mass. Norton, Mass.
15	Allen C. Thompson Mary D. Hubbard	E. Greenwich, R. I. Norton, Mass.

MARRIAGES—Continued

Date	Name	Address
	22 Henry S. Odbert Avis Lucile Gleason	Hanover, N. H. Brookline, Mass.
Apr. 2	William E. Poland Helen E. Lamb	Cohasset, Mass. Cohasset, Mass.
12	Raymond H. Foster Clara E. Cabisius	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
13	Frederic L. Conway, Jr. Charlotte V. Carruthers	Malden, Mass. Norton, Mass.
16	William R. Nicholas Helen Christensen	N. Attleboro, Mass. N. Attleboro, Mass.
19	Victor P. Hoffman Winifred C. Rudd	Taunton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
19	Ralph K. Laurence Elza M. Braheney	Norton, Mass. Taunton, Mass.
19	Walter Leo Mallow Lois M. Honey	Taunton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
19	Albert H. Gray Madeline L. Kelly	Taunton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
25	Roy E. Collins Dorothy Andrews	Norton, Mass. Foxboro, Mass.
May 1	William Aptt Beverly E. Burton	Providence, R. I. Providence, R. I.
2	Harvey B. Grant Constance R. Carpenter	Riverside, R. I. Wrentham, Mass.
4	Gaetano J. Famiano Madeline M. Fagnoli	Providence, R. I. Providence, R. I.
4	Louis A. Martell Elizabeth Marden	Vineyard Haven, Mass. Norton, Mass.
10	Joseph E. Brown Bernice M. Bellavance	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.

MARRIAGES—Continued

Date	Name	Address
15	Guido Evangelista Victoria Moretti	Cranston, R. I. Cranston, R. I.
17	Francis E. Galligan Alice E. Fontaine	Providence, R. I. Providence, R. I.
17	Robert W. Fitzgibbons Florence De La Perche	Providence, R. I. Edgewood, R. I.
17	Frederick J. Swan, Jr. Veronica M. Harper	Norton, Mass. Bellingham, Mass.
19	Robert George Brown Evelyn Hope Marshall	Providence, R. I. Rumford, R. I.
19	James D. Bennett Elizabeth Carrier	Providence, R. I. Providence, R. I.
19	Arthur J. Wilson Helen M. Anderson	Providence, R. I. Providence, R. I.
25	Nicholas Cerio Margaret Russo	Providence, R. I. Providence, R. I.
29	Manuel Ferreira, Jr. Marion T. Varney	Attleboro, Mass. Norton, Mass.
29	Frederick A. Nosworthy Jane T. Neal	Malden, Mass. Rochester, N. H.
29	Francis C. Mercier Ruth Holmes	Quincy, Mass. Norton, Mass.
30	Herbert F. Wilbur Jr. Ruth E. Simmons	Attleboro Mass. Norton, Mass.
31	Roy C. Parlier Rita G. Varney	Bath, Me. Norton, Mass.
31	Harry A. Guenard Ruth E. Moorhouse	Foxboro, Mass. Foxboro, Mass.
31	Richard E. Briggs Charlotte A. Weare	Norton, Mass. Attleboro, Mass.

MARRIAGES—Continued

Date	Name	Address
31	Harry W. Burns, Jr. Priscilla F. Howard	Boston, Mass. Worcester, Mass.
31	Leo A. Allard Eloise V. Leroux	Attleboro, Mass. Norton, Mass.
June 1	Thomas A. Parker Maude I. Robbins	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
6	Henry H. Rathburn, Jr. Helen Boehm	New York Norton, Mass.
7	Richard J. Martin Mary L. Gagne	N. Attleboro, Mass. N. Attleboro, Mass.
7	Antonio G. Andrade Phyllis G. Chada	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
7	Theago Gomes Rei Mary G. Chada	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
7	Laurence J. Carey Beverly B. Edwards	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
7	Arthur J. Venne Gladys H. Dahlberg	Taunton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
10	Daniel Riendeau, Jr. Olive M. Little	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
11	Henry M. Austin, Jr. Myrtle L. Garrity	Attleboro, Mass. Attleboro, Mass.
14	Warren L. Holman Mary H. Sinclair	Attleboro, Mass. Norton, Mass.
16	James Nasise Virginia Galanto	Norton, Mass. Middleboro, Mass.
21	Arnold I. Larson Janina Szajnar	E. Providence, R. I. E. Providence, R. I.
21	Earl T. Hallquist Christine D. Whiteside	Pawtucket, R. I. Pawtucket, R. I.

MARRIAGES—Continued

Date	Name	Address
26	Wesley B. Cahoon Pauline Roussel	Shawmut, R. I. Providence, R. I.
27	Floyd Allen Grace Dahlberg	Taunton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
28	Robert H. Mitchell Genevieve Cummings	Central Falls, R. I. New York
28	John F. Aptt, Jr. Josephine Voccio	Providence, R. I. Cranston, R. I.
28	William J. Shaw, Jr. L. Barbara Bairstow	Detroit, Mich. Norton, Mass.
29	Henry M. Luke Helena C. Gray	Quincy, Mass. Boston, Mass.
July 2	C. Herbert Salls Hazel R. Nietzold	Norton, Mass. Northampton, Mass.
4	Edgar J. Hezlitt Alice LaPlante	Mansfield, Mass. Mansfield, Mass.
4	Anthony S. Valente Pauline D'Angelo	Norton, Mass. Pawtucket, R. I.
4	Henry W. Robbins Mary K. Freeman	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
4	Harry Johnson Rita Hynes	Providence, R. I. Providence, R. I.
5	Frank DeCosta Adeline Cabral	Fall River, Mass. Norton, Mass.
9	Arthur M. Trudell Theresa L. Dauray	Pawtucket, R. I. Central Falls, R. I.
19	Edwin Ray Lewis, 2nd Mildred L. Poland	New York Norton, Mass.
26	Frank J. Teixeira, Jr. Eva Rita Viera	Norton, Mass. Attleboro, Mass.

MARRIAGES—Continued

Date	Name	Address
Aug.	2 Stephen Warchal	Norton, Mass.
	Muriel Hunt	Norton, Mass.
	2 Howard E. Luis	Providence, R. I.
	Evelyn A. Hassell	Providence, R. I.
	2 Philip Nasise	Norton, Mass.
	Louise Frongillo	Mansfield, Mass.
	3 Americo Camara	Norton, Mass.
	Clara Ramalho	Lowell, Mass.
	7 Paul N. Mulhearn	Cranston, R. I.
	Mildred H. Coyle	Attleboro, Mass.
Sept.	16 Joseph Barroo	Foxboro, Mass.
	Carmen Teixiera	Norton, Mass.
	24 Andrew F. Alix	Providence, R. I.
	Doris B. P. Boorum	Providence, R. I.
	13 Joseph Provencal	Providence, R. I.
	Mary Ekiert	Providence, R. I.
	13 Charles F. Jenka	Norton, Mass.
	Evelyn C. Salley	Rehoboth, Mass.
	18 Elmer K. Halliley	Taunton, Mass.
	Rita V. Bernier	Taunton, Mass.
	27 John Marshall	Norton, Mass.
	Hazel U. Smith	Attleboro, Mass.
	28 Cecil Conway Angus	Norton, Mass.
Oct.	Louise V. Haskell	Norton, Mass.
	30 Emory N. Lange	Attleboro, Mass.
	Dolores L. Leroux	Norton, Mass.
	4 Samuel E. Gwilliam	Attleboro Falls, Mass.
	Mabel L. Raynor	Norton, Mass.
	4 Mathew M. Volpe	Providence, R. I.
	Rachel Galotto	Providence, R. I.

MARRIAGES—Continued

Date	Name	Address
11	Harry T. Johnson Patricia M. Ballou	Norton, Mass. W. Mansfield, Mass.
11	Victor Pelletier Blanche Gemme	Norton, Mass. Millbury, Mass.
11	John Fonseca Margaret Masise	Taunton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
11	Carlton D. Phillips Ruth L. Geffen	Providence, R. I. Providence, R. I.
18	Leroy F. Hudson Jeannette C. Paille	Taunton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
18	John J. Bartley Rita C. Charron	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
24	Dennis F. Lynch Doris A. Marshall	Brockton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
24	John A. Placella Rose C. Evans	Cranston, R. I. Providence, R. I.
27	John Camara, Jr. Mary Terraboa	Norton, Mass. Taunton, Mass.
30	George J. Reilly Amelia C. Crowshaw	Taunton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
30	Earl F. Pendleton Alice Riga Martin	Norton, Mass. Attleboro, Mass.
Nov. 3	Francis Perry Mildred Shaw	Taunton, Mass. Taunton, Mass.
9	Philip C. Sturdy Jean C. Ferguson	Norton, Mass. Canton, Mass.
9	Elmer W. Clarke Dorothy L. Smith	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
11	Frank C. Farinella Mary C. Alves	Mansfield, Mass. Norton, Mass.

MARRIAGES—Continued

Date	Name	Address
19	Carleton H. Draper Annabelle K. Kelly	Norton, Mass. Whitman, Mass.
19	Charles G. Henson Cecile M. Audette	Norton, Mass. Attleboro, Mass.
21	Francis E. Keenan Muriel M. Burgess	Apponaug, R. I. Apponaug, R. I.
29	Joseph J. Teixeira Laura I. Veira	Norton, Mass. Attleboro, Mass.
Dec. 6	Leonard Watterson Marion Virginia Forsythe	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
11	Anthony L. Maglio Carolina A. Ciolli	Providence, R. I. Providence, R. I.
17	Norman O. Davignon Evelyn R. Janes	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
18	Antonio Mantia Celia Del Santos	Providence, R. I. Providence, R. I.
20	Earl M. Richardson Josephine L. Allen	Attleboro, Mass. Norton, Mass.
21	Leon R. Rhodes Ethel M. Lund	Dorchester, Mass. Dorchester, Mass.
27	Lieut. Charles E. Flaherty Marion V. King	Norton, Mass. Attleboro, Mass.
27	Lester E. Laughton Leah M. Bouchard	Attleboro, Mass. Norton, Mass.
31	Harold W. Sheldon Elvira Costa	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.

GEORGE E. SMITH, Town Clerk

BIRTHS

Recorded in the Town of Norton for the Year 1941

Date	Name of Child	Sex	Names of Parents
Jan. 6	Theodore Mohr	M	Theodore R. and Evelyn (Carter) Mohr.
9	Norman Odell Stoddard, Jr.	M	Norman Odell and Florence B. (White) Stoddard
14	Peter O'Leary	M	James C. and Martha H. (Whitaker) O'Leary
14	George Harold Godsoe	M	George E. and Virginia (Danforth) Godsoe
16	Jon Robert Hood	M	Edward D. and Emily A. (Greene) Hood
29	John William Gross	M	John and Mary (Maslak) Gross
Feb. 2	William Eugene Pike	M	Eugene W. and Ruth M. (Burt) Pike
19	Richard William Cathcart	M	William W. and Maude G. (Somerskill) Cathcart
Mar. 8	Helen Louise Langille	F	Clayton and Velma L. (Enos) Langille
8	Harold Clayton Langille	M	Clayton and Velma L. (Enos) Langille
Apr. 17	Beatrice Gomes Andrade	F	Frank and Alice (Sousa) Andrade
28	Betsey Gale Robbins	F	Granville and Rose (Gwilliams) Robbins
May 1	James Michael Fitzgibbons	M	James C. and Jennie E. (Andrews) Fitzgibbons
6	James Joseph Drew	M	Kenneth and Jeannette (Pidgeon) Drew
8	Raymond Joseph Rogers	M	Raymond E. and Theresa (Cataloni) Rogers
9	Thomas Albert Jacobs	M	George F. and Arline V. (Jess) Jacobs
16	Frank Caverly Pino	M	Charles R. and Althier A. (Connolly) Pino
25	 Teixiera	M	John J. and Frances M. (Nasiese) Teixiera
June 18	Clifford Robert Wright	M	Robert H. and Elsie (Watson) Wright
22	Drew Milton Thompson	M	George R. M. and Ruth M. (Kenny) Thompson
23	Peter Henri Yelle	M	Leo G. and Ruth M. (Courtney) Yelle
26	Daniel Power Thomas	M	Samuel W. and Elizabeth R. (Power) Thomas
30	Phillip Romeo Dion	M	Paul J. and Florence M. (Levine) Dion

BIRTHS—Continued

Date	Name of Child	Sex	Names of Parents
July 4	William Eldrith Dunham	M	Clarence and Claribel (Strange) Dunham
7	Frederick Albert Bilodeau	M	Frederick A. and Yvonne O. (Lenney) Bilodeau
8	Gaetano Tomase	M	Rosario and Mary P. (Riccò) Tomase
9	John Gilbert Crowe	M	Howard A. and Marion R. (Bottomley) Crowe
15	Gail Frances Cabisius	F	Bernard and Doris E. (Murphy) Cabisius
29	Nelson Earl Holmes	M	Arthur N. and Grace (Barclay) Holmes
Aug. 22	Peter Daniel McCaffrey	M	Jerome A. and Alice (Budelman) McCaffrey
23	Charlena Mae Dorothy	F	Charles L. and Adrianna (Caldwell) Dorothy
31	Mae Drusilla White	F	David J. and Ruth E. (Ring) White
31	Camille Joseph Dion	M	Camille J. and Maragret M. (O'Neil) Dion
Sept. 17	Feryl Emily Moorhouse	F	Walter E. and Emily M. (McCullock) Moorhouse
22	Joseph Henry Haskins	M	James O. and Lillian (Thibodeau) Haskins
23	Beverly Ann Pimental	F	Frank and Alice (Fitzerald) Pimental
Oct. 4	David John Robbins	M	John B. and Pauline (Waterman) Robbins
12	Marilyn Ivy Martin	F	Marshall B. and Riga M. (Henson) Martin
25	Patricia Anne Bouchard	F	Arthur M. and Alveda C. (Amaral) Bouchard
Dec. 1	Elaine Rose Bryant	F	Herbert and Grace (Guimond) Bryant
7	Herbert Henry Quilitzsch	M	Herbert and Constance (Dever) Quilitzsch
9	Elwin Wadsworth Nason	M	Charles O. and Dorothy (Black) Nason
10	Robert John Sweet	M	John J. and Mararet (Bonenfant) Sweet
13	Arnold Thomas Keene	M	Benton W. and Rose D. (Cummins) Keene

GEORGE E. SMITH, Town Clerk

DEATHS RECORDED IN 1941

Date	Name	Y	M	D
Jan. 5	Georgie Fellows	90	1	16
8	Georgianna M. Alexander	86	2	26
19	Lester John Chandler	52	10	2
Feb. 21	Earl Turner	54	....	....
Apr. 18	Mary E. Fitzgerald	59	....	....
23	Lester Leon Harris	57	9	13
May 5	Edward Everett Ware	79	7	6
7	Charles Henson	55	11	18
27	Omer Arthur Lajoie	39	....	....
June 29	Napoleon Robillard	79	....	....
July 6	Frederick C. Woodward	78	....	....
16	Benjamin Elijah P. Haskell	81	....	24
Aug. 31	Herbert E. Woods	77	8	8
Sept. 9	Laura Etta Hamilton	80	5	23
11	John Russell	58	4	7
5	Albin P. Pearson	55	....	25
Oct. 16	Joseph Haskins	....	....	24
Nov. 11	Nelson Martin Bragg	94	7	10
20	Edmund Earl Barclay	54	6	27
Dec. 11	Sarah Elizabeth Alexander	81	7	20
18	Robert Almeida	49	10	13

GEORGE E. SMITH, Town Clerk

DOGS LICENSED IN NORTON, 1941

	M	F	S		M	F	S
Alger, Milton	1	.....	.....	Andrews, George	.....	.....	.....
Austin, Alfred G.	.....	1	.....	Armstrong, Catherine	.....	.....	.....
Ashley, Winthrop		Kennel		Anderson, Einar	1	.....	.....
Abrahamson, Gustave	1	.....	.....	Alpert, Samuel	1	.....	.....

	M	F	S		M	F	S
Adair, J. Russell	1	.....	1	Cosgrove, John	1	.....	.....
Almeida, Alexander	1	.....	.....	Cail, James	1	.....	.....
Allen, Frank	1	.....	.....	Carr, Russell	.....	1	.....
Anderson, Robert	1	.....	.....	Cheetham, Katherine	1	.....	1
Ash, Charles P.	1	.....	.....	Collins, Kenneth	1	.....	.....
				Crowshaw, Joseph	1	.....	.....
Balfour, L. G.	3	.....	.....	Curran, Thomas	1	.....	.....
Barrett, Grace V.	1	.....	.....	Cabisius, Carl	1	.....	.....
Bauza, John	2	.....	.....	Catelli, Leon	2	.....	.....
Bliss, Howard W.	.....	.....	1	Chace, Chester B.	.....	.....	1
Bliss, Flora	1	.....	.....	Clapp, Louise	1	.....	.....
Bonney, Norman	.....	1	.....	Clapp, Charles	.....	.....	.....
Becker, E. Clifton	1	.....	1	Curtis, John	1	.....	.....
Bowlin, Myrtle	.....	.....	1	Cranston, James A.	11	.....	.....
Bradstreet, Esther	.....	.....	1				
Britton, Adelbert	1	.....	.....	Davis, Dr. Clarence N.	1	.....	.....
Brown, Richard	1	.....	.....	Danforth, Albert	1	.....	.....
Bellavance, Oscar	1	.....	.....	DeCoff, James	1	.....	.....
Bellavance, Thomas J.	1	.....	.....	Dahlberg, Carl A.	1	.....	.....
Bellavance, Roland J.	1	.....	1	Devlin, Patrick J.	1	.....	.....
Bleete, Peter H.	.....	1	.....	Dorr, Winthrop	1	.....	.....
Bottomley, Carl	1	.....	.....	Dorr, Marshall	.....	.....	1
Brooks, Roy	1	1	.....	Downey, Rev. James A.	1	.....	.....
Brown, Armand	.....	1	.....	Dumont, John	1	.....	.....
Brown, Everett	1	.....	.....	Dupuis, Frederick	1	.....	.....
Butler, Joseph	1	.....	.....	Davis, Harold E.	1	.....	.....
Blanding, Edward	.....	.....	1	Dion, Henry	.....	.....	1
Blanchard, Harvey	1	.....	.....	Dawson, Fred	1	.....	.....
Baker, Robert	1	.....	.....	DeCoff, Clifford	1	.....	.....
Bolton, Flora	1	.....	.....				
Burgess, Lees	1	.....	.....	Eddy, Milton Jr.	1	.....	.....
				Eddy, Harry	.....	1	.....
Cabana, Ephraim	1	.....	.....				
Cabisius, Bernard	1	.....	.....	Facey, Daniel	.....	1	.....
Choptovy, Mike	.....	.....	1	Fernandes, Frank	1	.....	.....
Claffin, Fred B.	1	.....	.....	Fitzgerald, Joseph E.	1	.....	.....
Clapp, Frank	.....	1	.....	Fitzgerald, John L.	1	.....	.....
Clarke, Miriam	1	.....	.....	Fitzgerald, Maurice H.	1	.....	.....
Clarke, Dr. E. W.	1	1	.....	Foster, Alton	1	.....	.....
Connolly, John F.	1	.....	.....	Fitzgerald, John	1	.....	.....

	M	F	S		M	F	S
Farquhar, Donald R.	1	.....	.....	Henning, Charles	1	.....	.....
Fitzgibbons, James	.....	1	1	Hicks, Elbert C.	1	.....	.....
Fletcher, Charles C.	.....	.....	1	Haskell, Gordon	1	.....	.....
Foster, Andrew	1	.....	.....	Howard, Edwin F.	1	.....	.....
Fuller, Irvin	.....	.....	1	Hubbard, Genevieve	1	.....	.....
Foster, Howard A.	1	.....	.....	Hesford, Anna	.....	.....	1
Freeman, Carlos	1	.....	.....				
				Johnson, Mason W.	1	.....	.....
Gonsalves, Dominic	1	.....	.....	Jennings, Herbert	.....	1	.....
Gonsalves, Samuel	1	.....	.....				
Gould, Douglas	.....	.....	1	Knapton, Ernest	1	.....	.....
Gredler, Rev. Hazel	1	.....	.....	Kantor, Marion	1	.....	.....
Gavin, Philip	.....	1	.....	Kelley, Edward	1	.....	.....
Ghio, Henry	1	.....	.....	Kenniston, Charles	1	.....	.....
Goff, Charlotte	1	.....	.....	Keough, John	1	.....	.....
Gale, Sanford	1	.....	.....	Kilburn, Winford	1	.....	.....
Gardner, Walter L.	2	.....	.....	King, Homer B.	1	.....	.....
Garrity, Patrick L.	1	.....	.....				
Gay, Lloyd	1	.....	.....	LaCasse, Raymond	1	.....	.....
Gonsalves, Peter	1	.....	.....	Lachapelle, Wm. R.	.....	.....	1
Gorman, Napoleon	1	.....	.....	Larson, Albert	1	.....	.....
Gardner, Sheldon	1	.....	.....	Leonard, Baetrice	1	.....	.....
Gwilliam, Alice	1	.....	.....	Lovenbury, William	3	.....	.....
Grund, Alfred	.....	.....	1	Lampi, William	1	.....	.....
Gould, Frederick	.....	.....	1	Lemaire, E. Francis	1	.....	.....
				Leonard, A. Lincoln	2	.....	.....
Hatch, Percival	1	.....	.....	Lincoln, Charlotte	1	.....	.....
Hobson, Jack	1	.....	.....	Lincoln, William F.	.....	1	.....
Hadley, William	2	1	.....	Lopes, Manuel	2	.....	.....
Hagstrom, Elmer	1	.....	.....	Ludovici, Frank	1	.....	.....
Harnden, Herbert	.....	1	.....	Little, Ernest	1	.....	.....
Harnden, James	1	.....	.....	Leonard, Irving	.....	.....	1
Hathaway, James	1	.....	.....	Lincoln, Edith	1	.....	.....
Henderson, Lucy	.....	.....	1	Lincoln, Fred O.	1	.....	.....
Hill, Uiano	1	.....	.....	Leonard, Everett W.	.....	1	.....
Holmes, Lester	.....	1	.....				
Holmes, Lillian	.....	.....	1	McMurrough, John L.	1	.....	.....
Hardy, George J.	2	.....	.....	Miller, Fred	1	.....	.....
Harrington, Cornelius	.....	.....	1	Monterio, Manuel	1	.....	.....
Haskell, Alonzo	.....	1	.....	Morgan, John	1	.....	.....

	M	F	S		M	F	S
MacDonald, Margaret	.....	.....	1	Perry, Milton	1	.....	.....
Murphy, David	1	.....	.....	Patenaude, Nelson	1	.....	.....
MacFarlane, John	2	.....	.....	Pelletier, George	1	.....	.....
Mahar, Adolphus	.....	.....	1	Phillips, Fred A.	2	.....	.....
Manning, Thomas	1	.....	.....	Pike, Eugene W.	1	1	.....
Marien, Damien	.....	1	.....	Peaslee, Floyd	1	.....	.....
Maslak, William	2	.....	.....	Packer, Lloyd	1	.....	.....
McGrath, Anne	.....	.....	1	Pino, Pauline	1	.....	.....
Metters, John	1	.....	.....	Parker, Andrew	.....	.....	1
Metters, Walter E.	1	.....	.....	Plante, Gideon	1	.....	.....
Monk, Frank	2	.....	.....	Poudrier, Alfred J.	1	.....	.....
Moran, Thomas J.	.....	1	.....	Pritchard, George	1	.....	.....
MacKinnon, Olive	1	.....	.....	Paddock, Herbert	1	.....	.....
Moquin, Henry	.....	1	.....	Platt, Mary,	.....	.....	1
Mosher, Varney	.....	.....	1	Paradis, Henry	1	.....	.....
Mason, George W.	1	.....	.....	Pelletier, Albert	1	.....	.....
Marvel, E. A.	.....	1	.....				
Mowrey, Harold	.....	.....	1	Randall, Charles S.	1	.....	.....
Murphy, Francis	1	.....	.....	Reynolds, Hilda	1	.....	.....
Mondor, George	.....	1	.....	Riberio, August	1	.....	.....
McCaffrey, Dr. Jerome	1	.....	.....	Rich, James	.....	.....	1
MacKinley, Roy	1	.....	.....	Ridgeway, Jesse	.....	.....	1
Madeiros, Paulino	1	.....	.....	Robbins, John	1	.....	.....
McHugh, Sadie	.....	.....	1	Robinson, George F.	.....	.....	1
Miner, Joseph	1	.....	.....	Rubak, Antonio	1	.....	.....
Martin, Rega	1	.....	.....	Radnor, Andrew	.....	.....	1
Murray, Lane	1	.....	.....	Radnor, William	1	1	.....
MacPherson, Donald	1	.....	.....	Richmond, Arthur E.	.....	1	.....
				Riendeau, William	.....	1	.....
Nason, John	1	.....	.....	Rondeau, Joseph A.	1	.....	.....
Nesbit, George Sr.	.....	.....	1	Roy, Homer	.....	1	.....
Nourse, Laurence	1	.....	.....	Roy, Naree	1	.....	.....
Norwell, Robert S.	1	.....	.....	Rubin, Joseph	1	.....	.....
				Russell, Harold O.	1	.....	.....
Oldfield, John	1	.....	.....	Richards, Howard	2	.....	.....
Owen, William	1	.....	.....	Randall, Walter	.....	.....	1
Paquette, George	1	.....	.....	Schmidt, Alexander	1	.....	.....
Paquette, Laurier	1	.....	.....	Scott, Charles	1	.....	.....
Patriquin, Herbert	1	.....	.....	Shaw, M. Alice	.....	.....	1

	M	F	S		M	F	S
Shaw, John	1	.....	.....	Ulmer, John G.	.....	.....	1
Smolar, William	1	1	.....				
Spencer, Burnett	1	.....	.....				
Spencer, Elwood	1	.....	.....	Valquette, Oscar	3	.....	.....
Stanley, Maud	2	.....	1	Valentine, Minnie	.....	.....	1
Stanley, Richard	.....	.....	1				
Syjazt, Ernest	1	1	.....	Woodward, Harold	1	.....	.....
Sabourin, Paul	1	.....	.....	Walker, Robert E. Jr.	1	.....	.....
Shaw, George W.	.....	.....	1	Waite, Burton	1	.....	.....
Simmons, Homer	1	.....	.....	White, Oliver	1	.....	.....
Smith, Herbert	.....	.....	1	Wilkinson, Stanley	1	.....	.....
Spatcher, Carlton	1	.....	.....	Wood, Ethel	1	.....	.....
Stenfheldt, Magnus	1	.....	.....	Wheeler, Helen	1	.....	.....
Sullivan, William	1	.....	.....	Watson, Stanley	1	.....	.....
Scanlon, B. B.	1	.....	.....	Weber, George	1	.....	.....
Smith, Edward	.....	1	.....	White, Albert	1	.....	.....
Souza, Frank	1	.....	.....	White, Vernon O.	.....	2	.....
Stepineck, John	1	.....	1	Wilson, Harry S.	.....	2	.....
Sibley, Alfred	1	.....	.....	Woodward, Carlton Jr.	1	.....	.....
Sinclair, John H.	1	.....	.....	Woodward, Edith	1	.....	2
				Wright, Robert	1	.....	.....
Teixeira, Alexander	1	.....	.....	Wilbur, Leonard	1	.....	.....
Techeria, John R.	1	.....	.....	Whitaker, Sidney	1	.....	.....
Thomase, Gaetano	1	.....	.....	Williams, Irma	.....	.....	1
Thomas, Charles		Kennel		Winters, Herbert	1	1	.....
Tondreault, Philias	1	.....	.....	Winter, Bradford	3	.....	.....
Tribou, Charles	1	.....	1	Wood, Eleanora	.....	.....	1
Tetlow, John	1	.....	.....				
Texeira, Frank	1	.....	.....	Yelle, Wilfred	.....	.....	1
Thomas, James	1	.....	.....	Young, Robert	1	2	.....
Tokas, Joseph	1	.....	.....				
Travis, George J.	1	.....	.....	Totals,	236	38	55
Todorsky, Joseph	1	.....	.....				

Males, 236

Females, 38

Spayed, 55

Total, 329

GEORGE E. SMITH,
Town Clerk

MILK INSPECTOR'S REPORT, 1941

Number of cows,	348
Number of bulls	16
Number of heifers,	56
Quantity of milk produced daily in Norton,	3072 quarts
Quantity of milk consumed daily in Norton,	759 "
Number of milk licenses issued,	28

Distribution among towns and cities

Norton,	759
Attleboro,	623
Brockton,	365
Mansfield,	280
Pawtucket,	360
Seekonk,	280
Taunton,	405

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W. WALTER BECKER, Inspector

NORTON PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT

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Mr. Varney W. Mosher,	“ “	1943
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The Selectmen Ex-officio		

Miss Gertrude Mott, Librarian
Miss Doris Durgin, Assistant Librarian

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The condition of a world at war has affected even the quiet precincts of the Norton Public Library. The basement of the building is being used to house the Norton Report Center. The Book Committee, in choosing reading material, has kept in mind the interest and needs of the community in this national emergency. As usual, some books which, in the opinion of the Librarian and the Board, were no longer useful have been discarded; and these have been consigned to the Boy Scouts, who are collecting waste paper in the interests of national defense. These volumes have been for the most part worn-out novels, or reference material which was completely out-dated. We have need of up-to-date reference material—more than the Library has been able to afford—if our reference room is to be either used or useful. The necessary repairs and up-keep of the building have required a greater expenditure than in some other years. At its December meeting, the Board authorized the publishing of a monthly list of new books. These lists are being mimeographed without expense to the Library through the courtesy of the Norton High School Commercial Department; they are being posted in all Norton schools, and are available to patrons and readers in the Library. At the same meeting, the Board was gratified to receive as a gift from Mr. L. G. Balfour, of Attleboro, an attractive book-plate, with 1,000 copies for immediate use in the library books. They will be used also to distinguish gift books, of which we have received a useful share this year.

Because the death of Mr. George B. Clements, Vice-President of the Board of Directors, occurred on January 19, 1942, while this report was in preparation, it seems fitting here to commemorate his able and generous services to the Library as a member of the Board for the past six years, as Chairman of the Finance Committee, and the Committee on Buildings and Grounds. His going is a great loss to the Library. The President wishes also to acknowledge with appreciation the time and active interest given to affairs of the Library, by other members of the Board, and to speak of the faithfulness of the librarians, and the excellent service of the janitor.

CARO LYNN, President

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

The following is the circulation of books by classes for the year: Fiction, 11,930; General, 208; Philosophy, 28; Religion, 116; Sociology, 82; Language, 0; Science, 118; Useful Arts, 152; Fine Arts, 208; Literature, 268; History, 346; Biography, 337; total, non-fiction, 1963; total, 13,893.

Number of days Library was open,	154
Day's largest circulation,	172
Day's smallest circulation,	20
Average number of books loaned a day,	90

Library Hours

	Afternoon	Evening
Monday		7:00 - 9:00
Wednesday	3:00 - 5:00	7:00 - 8:00
Saturday	3:00 - 5:00	7:00 - 9:00

The Reading Room is supplied with the following magazines:

American
Atlantic
Cosmopolitan

American Home
Country Gentleman
Fortune

Good Housekeeping	Harper's
Horticulture	House Beautiful
Illustrated London News	'Ladies' Home Journal
Life	National Geographic
Nature	Newsweek
Parents	Popular Mechanics
Readers' Digest	Saturday Evening Post

Respectfully submitted,

GERTRUDE MOTT, Librarian

TREASURER'S REPORT

JANUARY 1, 1942

Receipts

Cash on hand January 1, 1941,	\$ 270.50	
From Wheaton College,	200.00	
Norton Savings and Loan Association,		
Interest,	84.00	
Hodges Fund, Interest,	91.00	
Interest on Funds Invested,	162.50	
On account principal U. S. Bond and		
Mortgage,	88.00	
Town of Norton, Appropriation,	1,000.00	
Fines,	7.67	
Gift to Library, M. Florence Williams,	7.10	
		<u>\$1,915.77</u>

Expenses

Miss Gertrude Mott, Librarian,	\$ 300.00	
Miss Doris Durgin, Assistant Librarian,	225.00	
A. Fernandes, Janitor,	100.00	
Library Book House, Books,		438.11
W. S. Williams, Magazines,	54.10	
Norton Power & Electric Company,		
Light and Bulbs,	44.22	
Southern Mass. Oil Corp., Fuel Oil and		
Burner-Service,	175.43	

Gaylord Brothers, Supplies,	8.70	
George S. Pierce, Repairs, Screens,	52.39	
Transferred to Permanent Funds:		
Liquidating Mortgage from U. S.		
Bond and Mortgage,	88.00	
Bristol County Trust Company, Safe		
Deposit Box Rent,	6.66	
J. C. Pratt, Supplies,	1.07	
Postmaster, Town of Norton, 200 Cards,	2.00	
Sylvander Machine Company, Sharp-		
ening Mower,	1.25	
Bristol County Trust Company, Ser-		
vice and Collection Charges,	.96	
Librarian, Services of David Gredler,	.50	
Librarian, Petty Cash,	2.00	
Hoffman Seal, Stamp & Engraving		
Company, Seal,	5.58	
Christmas Gifts to Staff,	12.00	
Joseph H. Winters, Weatherstripping		
and Lock,	149.56	
Balance on Hand,	248.24	
		<u>\$1,915.77</u>

VARNEY W. MOSHER, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

NORTON DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1941

Receipts

Balance on hand January 1, 1941,	\$ 453.68
Received during the year:	
Nurse's fees,	\$358.00
Town of Norton for School Nurse,	900.00
John Hancock Life Insurance	
Co., fees,	81.50

John Hancock Life Insurance Co., fees,	61.25	
Carnival, net receipts,	\$828.81	
George Clements, contribution,	5.00	
	<u> </u>	833.81
Emergency Fund, Wheaton Y. W. C. A.	40.00	
Chris. Baskets H. I. T. P.	13.00	
Norton Teachers' Club,	5.00	
	<u> </u>	18.00
Refund—insurance on car,	2.51	
	<u> </u>	
Total Receipts from all sources,		\$2,295.07
		<u> </u>
		\$2,748.75

Disbursements

Paid during year:

Salary of nurse,	\$1,362.50	
Substitute nurse,	100.00	
Automobile expense,	177.99	
Garage rent,	48.00	
Office and organization expenses,	31.66	
Nurse's supplies,	21.02	
Telephone,	17.95	
Christmas baskets,	10.00	
Contributions,	6.00	
From emergency fund,	17.04	
Treasurer's bond,	5.00	
	<u> </u>	
Total Disbursements,		\$1,797.16
Balance on hand January 1, 1942,		951.59
		<u> </u>
		\$2,748.75
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Balance in Milk Fund,	\$16.24
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Respectfully submitted,

HELEN I. CAFFREY, Treasurer

NORTON DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION

MEMBERSHIP LIST, 1941 - 1942

Adair, John
Alexander, John
Alger, Milton O.
Alger, Mrs. Agnes
Alpert, Samuel
Alpert, Simpson
Andrews, Arthur
Andrews, Mrs. Ora
Allen, Mrs. Charles
Arena, Tony
Armstrong, F.
Armstrong, T.
Ashley, John
Ashley, W. A.

Baker, Charles F.
Balfour, L. G.
Balfour, Mrs. L. G.
Ballou, Ellen
Barney, E. Martin
Barrows, Walter
Bartley, Mrs. Ernest
Bartley, Mrs. Joseph
Baylies, C.
Beaman, Mrs. Allen
Beaman, T.
Becker, Clifton
Becker, Walter
Becker, Wilfred
Bellrose, Ben
Bellavance, Avarice
Benson, H.
Bernier, Mrs. Ida
Best, Foster
"Blackie"

Blette, Peter
Bl'ss, Howard
Boas, Mrs. Ralph
Bottomley, Carl
Bottomley, Mrs. J.
Borack, Joseph
Bradstreet, Esther
Brasier, G.
Briggs, Myron
Britton, Adelbert
Britton, John
Browne, Everett
Bruce, Charles O.
Burns, Arnold J.

Cabisius, Bernard
Cady, Mildred
Caffrey, Helen J.
Camara, Jordan
Campbell, Mrs. Peter
Carey, Lawrence
Caron, Mike
Carruthers, Edna
Carruthers, George
Carruthers, Robert
Catelli, Mrs. Leon
Cathcart, William
Chappell, A. E.
Cheetham, Alice
Cheetham, Charles
Cheyne, Forence
Clapp, Alfred W.
Clapp, Avery
Clapp, Mrs. Charles
Clapp, Eleanor

- Clapp, Ethel
Clapp, Mrs. Frank
Clapp, Lucille
Clapp, Ra-ph
Clarke, Dr. E. W.
Clarke, Billy
Clarke, David
Clarke, F.
Clarke, Miriam A.
Clarke, Mimi
Cleveland, Ruth
Clements, George
Clements, Mrs. George
Coddington, Mrs. William
Cockroft, Albert
Collette, Mrs. Donald
Congdon, John
Connolly, John
Connors, Joseph
Conrad, Alberta
Cope's Bottling Co.
Cote, Ovila
Coyle, Clara
Crane, Delia
Cressey, Dr. Paul
Crowe, Frank
Crowe, Howard
Crowshaw, Joseph
Curran, Thomas W.
Curran, Mrs. T. W.
Curtis, Mrs. John

Daley, Mrs. John
Daggett, Hattie
Dawson, Alice
Davignon, H. V.
Davis, Dr. C. N.
Davis, Mrs. C. N.
Doherty, Harry
Dorr, I.
Downey, Rev. James

Downey, Marion
Doty, Mrs. Roland
Drane, Mrs. M. J.
Draper, Carl
Dunkle, Mabel
Dunham, Grace
Dupius, Mrs. Rose

Eddy, Mrs. C.

Fales, Bertram
Fales, Mrs. Bertram
Farr, Mrs. A. B.
Farrell, John B.
Farrell, Mrs. John B.
Fernandes, Adeline
Fernandes, Joseph
Findater, Jean
Fillmore, Mr.
FitzGerald, J. H.
Fitzgerald, James
Flaherty, C. E.
Flaherty, Mrs. J. J.
Flaherty, William V.
Flanagan, A. V.
Ford, Dr. Carlton
Ford, Mrs. Carlton
Foster, Howard
Foster, Mrs. Howard
Foster, L. A.
Foster, Mrs. L. A.
Fournier, Mrs. Mary
Frolic Club
Freeman, Mrs. C.
Freeman, Mrs. James
Freeman, N. E.
Fuller, George
Fuller, Mrs. George

Gardner, Walter
Gavin, Helen

Gavin, Phil	Janes, Woodrow
Geddes, J. F.	Jenks, Mrs. Charles
Gibbs, Mrs. Ralph	Jennings, H.
Gould, Douglas	Jette, William
Gould, Mrs. Fred	Jette, Omer
Graham, Mr.	Johnson, Herbert
Gredler, Rev. Hazel R.	Jondroe, Elizabeth
Greene, Mildred B.	Jordan, Clarke
Grier, Mary	Jordan, Mrs. Lena
Griffiths, Mrs. Ruth	
Grund, Alfred	Kelly, Anne
Guiler, Mr. S. A.	Kelly, Mrs. J. J.
Gwilliam, Mrs. Ed.	Kelly, Rita
	Khorey, Stanley
Hackett, H.	Kilburn, Mrs. W.
Hanlon, C.	King, Adelord
Harnden, Mrs. Chester	King, M. V.
Harvey, Mrs. Walter	Kingsley, E.
Haskell, Mrs. Bertha	Krall, Alfred
Haskell, Frank	
Haskell, William	L'Amoureux, Clara
Hatch, Frank	LaChappelle, Robert
Hatch, Percy	LaPlante, Wilfred
Healy, Walter	Lane, Homer
Helpard, John	Lane, Mrs. Howard
Hicks, Mrs. E. C.	Lane, John
Hill, Howard	Lawrence, Mrs. Helen
Hillman, Martha	Lawrence, Ralph
Hinds, P. L.	Layton, Mrs. Rene
Holmes, Esther	Lent, C. J.
Holmes, J. E.	Leonard, Everett
Howard, F. W.	Leonard, Harold
Hubbard, Dr. C. C.	Leonard, Mrs. Virgil
Hubbard, Mrs. C. C.	Lewis, Edwin
Hunt, Dr. William	Life Bread Company
Hunt, Mrs. William	Lindberg, T. V.
Hurlburt, Mathilda	Lincoln, Albert
	Lincoln, Merton
Illingworth, Alice	Little, Mrs. Ernest
Innis, Haliburton	
Irene's Beauty Shop	MacKinnon, Olive
Jackson, Mrs. Albert	Maher, B.

Mairat, Donat
Manceni, J
Manning, Thomas
Marchure, Minnie
Martin, Marshall, Jr.
Marvel, Mrs. Edward
Matherson, Frank
McCaffrey, Dr. Jerome
McCaffrey, Mrs. Jerome
McDonald, Margaret
McGrath, Mrs. Annie
McHugh, Loretta
McIntyre, Dr. Walter
McMurrough, John
Metty, Mrs. Joseph
Milliken, Mrs. J. K.
Miller, Ethel
Miller, Fred
Mondor, Mrs. Peter
Moniz, Mrs. Joe
Monterio, Mrs. M.
Moquin, Mrs. F.
Morgan, Helen
Morse, Ralph
Morse, Mrs. Ralph
Morrison, Mrs. William
Mosher, Varney W.
Mott, Gertrude
Mowry, Harold
Murphy, Daniel
Murphy, David
Murphy, Edith
Murphy, Francis J.
Murphy, John

Nasise, Joe
Nason, Mrs. Charles
Nason, D. W.
Nason, Donald
Nason, Elwin
Nesbit, George
New England Bakery

Newcomb, Laura
Northrup, Lester
Nourse, Laurence G.
Nourse, Mrs. Laurence G.

O'Brien, Daniel
O'Brien, William E.
O'Brien, William
Odams' Dye House
O'Leary, James C.
O'Leary, Mrs. James
Orsi, Louis

Park, Mrs. J. Edgar
Parks, Eleanor
Paquette, Mrs. George
Partridge, Jerry
Perry, Mrs. Louise
Perry, Mabel
Perry, Mrs. Milton
Pettis, W. W.
Phillips, Mrs. Fred
Pierce, Charles
Pierce, George
Pierce, Helen
Pierce, T. F.
Pino, P.
Pino, R.
Poudrier, Fred
Power, M. W.
Prario, Virginia
Pratt, Jonathan C.
Pratt, Mrs. J. C.
Providence Cone Co.

Radevicz, John
Radnor, Mrs. Andrew
Ramsayer, Mrs. Frank
Rand, Hollis G. Sr.
Randall, Charles
Regan, Charles
Reynolds, C. E.

Reynolds, Mrs. C. E.
Reynolds, Morris
Reynolds, V. I.
Reynolds, Wallace L.
Reynolds, Mrs. W. L.
Rich, Clarence
Richmond, Agnes
Richmond, Mabel
Roberts, Mrs. E.
Robinson, Mrs. Elgie
Rocha, David
Rogers, William
Ross, Mrs. A. G.
Rounds, Mrs. A. M.
Roy, Mrs. Albert
Roy, Clovis
Roy, Eva
Runge, D. M.
Runge, Mrs. D. M.
Russell, W. H.

Sabourin, Mrs. John
Salley, Gilbert
Salls, C. H.
Sanford, Mrs. Arnold
Santos, Evelyn
Savaria, Eleanor
Sawyer, Mrs. A. C.
Scanlon, B. B.
Schindler, Roy
Schissler, Edward
Schissler, Mrs. Edward
Scanaro, J.
Scott, Mrs. Charles
Scott, Hugh
Scott, John
Sheehan, W.
Shaw, A. J.
Shaw, Henry
Shaw, Madeline
Shaw, Mildred
Shaw, Paul

Shaw, Ralph
Shook, Dr. Glen
Sibilio, G.
Sibley, Mrs. Alfred
Simmons, Homer
Simmons, Mrs. L.
Smith, Dorothy
Smith, Edward
Smith, Mrs. George
Smith, George E.
Smith, "Pat"
Souza, F.
Souza, Joseph
Spatcher, Carl
Spatcher, Lora
Sprague, Mrs. Ernest
Sprague, Mrs. F. C.
Sprague, Mrs. Paul
Speizo, G.
Speizo, J.
St. James, Alcide W.
Sturdy, Arthur
Sturdy, Sarah
Swan, Frederick
Sweet, Arthur
Sweet, Mrs. Arthur
Sweet, Horace
Syjatz, Mrs. E. J.

Tacheria, Joseph
Talbot, Gertrude
Talbot, Frank
Talbot, Mrs. Frank
Taylor, Mrs. William
Taunton Tobacco Co.
Tetlow, Fred
Texieria, Frank J.
Thomas, Elizabeth
Titus, H. E.
Todd, Mrs. Malcolm
Travis, G. J.
Travis, Mrs. G. J.

Trindade, J.	Willis, C. E.
Trecher, E.	Wilkinson, S.
Tucker, William	Winter, Bradford
	Winter, Mrs. Stanley
Ulmer, Mrs. Donald	Wiswall, Mrs. Fred
	Wiswall, Norman
Valentine, Mrs. Arthur	Wood, Ethel
Valentine, Mrs. Minnie	Wood, W. C. S.
Valette, Helena	Woods, Mrs. Franklin
Varney, Mrs. Joseph	Woodward, Albert Jr.
	Woodward, Albert Sr.
Waite, Percy	Woodward, Mrs. C. A.
Wallace, Mrs. Alice	Woodward, Daniel
Warner, Alice	Woodward, Fred
Waterman, Mrs. Leslie	Woodward, Harold S.
Watson, A. Stanley	Woodward, Mrs. Lewis
Watson, Mrs. A. Stanley	Wooley, Mrs. S.
Watson, James	Work, Eunice
Westgate, Herbert	Wright, Robert
Wetherell, L. A.	Wrigley
Whitaker, Mrs. J. W.	
Whitaker, Milo	Yelle, Adrian
Whitaker, Sarah	Yelle, Benedict
White, O. E.	Yelle, Henri
Wiley, C. F.	Yelle, Joseph
Williams, Irma	Yelle, Leo
Williams, G. Sheldon	Yelle, Wilfred
Williams, Miss Mary	Zeigler, Barbara

REPORT OF NORTON DISTRICT NURSE

1941

The work of the District Nurse is part time district nursing and part time school nursing. A full report of the school nurse's activities will be found in the report of the School Department.

The following report includes the various types of nursing carried on by the district nurse outside of school nursing.

The purpose of the District Nursing Association is three-fold; first, to give nursing care to the sick; secondly, to promote good health habits in every family; and thirdly, to instruct a helper in the home to assume the care of a patient between the nurse's daily visits.

We have made 657 visits to patients during the past year. Calls are made at the request of the patient or physician but no nursing care or treatment can be given to a patient without an order from the attending physician.

The nurse has attended six home deliveries and made sixty visits to the mothers and babies to give postpartum care. The mother and baby are given daily care by the nurse eight to ten days after delivery. Every maternity case expecting to be delivered at home should notify the nurse early in pregnancy in order that plans can be made for a safe home delivery. The nurse can assist the expectant mother in making plans and give instructions to a relative or helper who will care for the patient between the daily visits of the nurse.

The nurse has made seventeen visits to expectant mothers in the past year. Even if a patient is planning on a hospital delivery the nurse is always glad to call and assist the expectant mother in any way that she can or to answer any question concerning the care of herself or the baby.

After the baby is two weeks old the nurse visits the baby once a month in order to give advice or answer any questions that the mother may have regarding her child's growth and development. Sometimes the mother is advised to see her physician for a check-up of the baby. In other cases the nurse can give advice on health habits and regularity of schedules. We have made 141 visits, and 68 visits to babies over one month of age. An increase of 38 over 1940.

Health Service includes visits to children who have had tonsilectomies, visits to parents regarding some special health problems they may have a visits to adults concerning their personal health problems.

Behavior problems in the classroom may be due to a poor health condition in the home and the nurse through her contact with the home can often find the reason behind the behavior and between the teacher and the parent overcome these situations. We have given health service to 47 children and nine adults.

Social work during the past year has decreased about one-half, the nurse making 35 calls in 1941 and 65 in 1940. Social calls include visits to, and in behalf of, patients regarding home conditions during illness, helping patients to adjust themselves to difficult situations and many other forms of social work.

There were 40 visits made that did not come under any of the other types of service and these were listed as unclassified and only one visit made in each case.

The Association is affiliated with the John Hancock Insurance Co., and the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. Weekly premium policies and one or two other types of policies, if in good financial standing, include nursing service in their contracts. A physician must be in attendance before any nursing service or treatment can be given to the policy holder. One hundred and eleven visits were made to eleven patients insured by the John Hancock Insurance Co.; one hundred and nine visits were made to twenty patients insured by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.

During the past year there has been very little change in our services, but we look forward to an increase in our work in 1942. We must all be ready to serve where we are most needed. One of our first duties is to our families in homes where higher living conditions affect the family income. We need to be alert and help people to choose wisely in food buying to get the best nutritional value out of every dollar they spend for food. Start our defense at home by giving our children a healthy living and teaching them the value of good health habits.

In closing I wish to extend my thanks and appreciation for the co-operation I have received during the past year. I thank the nursing committee for their thoughtful help and guidance. I am grateful to Mr. Charles Flaherty, our President, and to Mrs. Avery Clapp, our Acting President, for their help and advice. I thank all who have worked with

the Association or contributed to our work in any way. This is a community organization and we appreciate any suggestions you have to offer and thank you for your support.

Respectfully submitted,

DRUSILLA FOSTER,

District Nurse

EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

The year 1941 was a very busy year for the Water Department. Among some of the things that were accomplished was the painting of the water tank, the installation of 4560 feet of 8-inch pipe on Main street from Chartley Corner to the Attleboro line, the removal of the hydrants and water services on Taunton avenue, the completion of the construction of an 8-inch well, the pumping of 6,105,000 more gallons of water than in any previous year, and the installation of sixteen new services.

The Town appropriated money for water main extensions of North Worcester street and Washington street, provided it was laid by W. P. A. labor. We have the pipe and the hydrants for Washington street, but the labor gave out and we were unable to lay the pipe.

The Department overran its appropriation by \$703.91. This was caused by the expense of new hydrants and services on Taunton avenue, the increase in the maintenance payroll and the increased cost of materials.

Many private wells in town went dry during the summer and if it had not been for the new 8-inch well that had been completed and the strict attention given the wells in keeping them clean, the Town might have been short of water. The water has been periodically examined and approved as a good quality drinking water by the State Board of Health.

A summary of the special appropriations for water main extensions is as follows:

	Appropriation	Expended
Special—Main Street,	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
Special—North Worcester Street,	4,000.00	3,427.55
Special—Washington Street,	3,500.00	328.88

The following is a report of the Department's operating expenses for the year, 1941. This includes all costs to the Town of running the Water Department with the exception of the Special Appropriations:

Expenses of maintaining the Department,	\$ 9,203.91
Payment on Water Loan Principal,	4,000.00
Interest on Water Loan,	2,082.50

Total,	<u>\$15,286.41</u>
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Total Commitments for the year, 1941,	\$17,495.46
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This shows a commitment over and above the cost of maintaining the Department of \$2,209.05.

Respectfully submitted,

BERTRAM F. FALES,
LEONARD A. WITHERELL,
JESSE RIDGEWAY,

Board of Water Commissioners

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

The Board of Public Welfare of the Town of Norton submits the following report:

General relief in Norton has varied only a small amount in the past year. Comparing November of 1940, with November of 1941: In November, 1940, there were 16 cases aided, 2 on W. P. A., 3 on Dependent Aid only, and 11 Unemployable cases receiving a total of \$277.00. In November of 1941,

there were 11 cases aided, 2 on Dependent Aid only and 9 Unemployable cases, receiving a total of \$306.19. These amounts are as reported to the State Department. Bills were rendered to the State and other Towns and Cities for cases living in Norton and settled elsewhere to the amount of \$853.71. We have paid bills to other towns and cities for cases living there who are settled in Norton to the amount of \$743.17.

The majority of cases being aided in Norton are old people who are not citizens and are unable to support themselves through age and physical condition.

Aid to Dependent Children remains about the same. The number of cases closed were offset by new ones applying for aid. In November, 1940, there were 8 cases with 16 children aided to the amount of \$295.00. In November, 1941, there were 9 cases with 22 children aided to the amount of \$278.00. We cannot foresee any great increase in 1942 for Aid to Dependent Children.

Old Age Assistance has increased with November of 1940, having a payroll of \$2,240.50, aiding 79 cases. November of 1941, having a payroll of \$2,412.00, aiding 86 cases. The peak of Old Age Assistance was in July, 1941, when there were 87 cases and a payroll of \$2,578.71. There is a possible chance of an average of 90 cases in 1942.

This fall there has been a change in the Old Age Assistance Law. This is Chapter 729 of the Acts of 1941. This Act contained an emergency preamble. The insurance provision and study by the Department of Public Welfare, are the only sections made immediately effective. The liberalization as to the new minimum amounts and the responsibility of relatives is not effective until April 30, 1942. This means there will not be any increase outside of medical, until the May 15, 1942, payroll.

Parts of the changes are as follows:

Residence requirements reduced from five to three years out of the past nine.

Minimum grants subject to deductions of other income and resources are increased from \$30 to \$40 for individuals living alone; from \$50 to \$65 for married couples, both eligible, living alone, or brothers and sisters, both eligible, living alone after April 30, 1942. For all others, living in a family group, the present minimum amounts will continue to apply.

Recovery may be sought from a person or his estate or any property not otherwise exempted by law.

In May, 1942, the payroll for Old Age Assistance may increase to \$2,800.00 to \$3,000.00 a month due to this change in the law.

Respectfully submitted,

BERNARD CABISIUS,
W. ROBERT LaCHAPELLE,
CARL J. BOTTOMLEY, Chairman
Board of Public Welfare of Norton

REPORT OF THE FIRE ENGINEERS

The fire engineers respectfully submit their twelfth annual report.

The fire department responded to 136 fires during 1941.

Many of these fires are caused by open air fires, poor incinerators, and dirty chimneys. We urge all people to be sure to remove any hazard of fire that may be present. Hot water oil heaters are also dangerous if not kept clean and watched carefully.

The entrance of our country into war, makes the danger of air raids and sabotage, at least, a possibility. Fire causes at least 75 per cent of the property damage in such cases.

We are training auxiliary firemen for use in any emergencies. Many have volunteered for this work, but more are needed. These people should come from all parts of our town. Women, as well as men, are needed in this work. If your board of fire engineers are to be held responsible for protection from incendiary or sabotage fires, much greater equipment is most necessary.

Norton has no resuscitation equipment of any kind. The danger of drowning, carbon monoxide poisoning, gas poisoning, an even electrical shock, is very apparent.

A resuscitator or inhalator is most important in sav-

ing lives of such victims. Many people are available who could operate such life saving devices.

We therefore recommend the immediate purchase of a resuscitator or inhalator.

Open air fires are always a source of danger. This danger is greatest during the spring months, and becomes extreme on days of high winds and low humidity. Never light open air fires on such days.

The use of two-way short wave radio in fire service is growing rapidly. In the future such equipment should be purchased.

At the present time the problem of obtaining sufficient man power is very difficult. Several of the business firms in town have very kindly let firemen who are employed there leave to answer alarms. We offer our sincere thanks to these firms, and hope others may do the same.

We wish to thank the water and police departments, the Norton telephone operators, for their fine co-operation.

We make the following recommendations in case of fire:

First—Call Attleboro 45 on the telephone, or call Norton telephone operator.

Second—Give exact location and kind of fire. This is very important.

Third—Call the Fire Department to a fire when first discovered, regardless of size or kind.

The volunteer firemen, 35 in number, are a group of loyal, trained, brave men. We extend to them our sincere thanks.

In conclusion, may we express our sincere appreciation for the fine support given our board and Fire Department.

HAROLD L. WETHERELL,
Chief of Fire Department

REPORT OF NORTON FIRE DISTRICT FOR YEAR, 1941

Receipts

Cash on hand, January 1, 1941,	\$	6.21
December 31, 1941		

Received of G. E. Smith, Collector:

For year 1938,	4.62
" " 1939,	384.46
" " 1940,	689.97
" " 1941,	2,798.38

Total receipts,	\$3,883.64
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Paid Out

December 31, 1941

Paid George E. Smith, Treasurer:

Balance due on hydrant rental September 1, 1940 to March, 1941,	\$ 730.00
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Paid George E. Smith, Treasurer in full

Hydrant rental, March 1, 1941, to September 1, 1941,	1,687.50
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Paid George E. Smith, Treasurer

Part payment hydrant rental September 1, 1941, to March 1, 1942,	1,450.00
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Balance of cash on hand January, 1, 1942,	16.14
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Total paid out,	\$3,883.64
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W. C. S. WOOD, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Total Value	1940	1941
Real Estate,	\$1,987,050.00	\$2,056,825.00
Personal Estate,	160,425.00	177,825.00
Total appropriations to be raised by taxation,		\$139,665.35
Appropriations voted to be taken from available funds,		6,930.00
Appropriations at Special Town Meeting,		1,525.00
Revenue Deficit,		2.00
State Tax,		7,590.00
State Parks and Reservations,		133.63
Auditing Municipal Accounts,		14.84
County Tax,		4,807.99

Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment,	1,861.66
Overlayings,	1,715.90

Gross to be raised,	\$164,246.37
Estimated receipts from all sources,	\$ 72,371.46
State Parks and Reservations over-estimate for 1940,	7.82
County Tax over-estimate for 1940,	.01
Appropriations from available funds—Section 23, Chapter 59,	6,930.00
Available funds voted to reduce the tax rate,	13,000.00
Net amount raised on Polls and Property,	71,937.08
Total,	\$164,246.37

Number of Polls assessed (including all over 70 years),	1,108
Horses assessed,	63
Cows assessed,	363
Sheep assessed,	5
Other neat cattle assessed,	86
Swine assessed,	18
Fowl assessed,	17,925
All other animals assessed,	108
Number of dwelling houses assessed,	892
Rate per \$1,000.00,	\$31.20

Excise Tax

Number of Automobiles assessed,	1,396
Assessed value,	\$301,340.00
Total Excise Tax,	9,326.28
State Rate per \$1,000.00,	36.80

Norton Fire District

Assessed value of Real Estate,	\$1,265,125.00
Assessed value of Personal Estate,	109,400.00
Rate per \$1,000.00,	2.50

Respectfully submitted,

LEONARD A. WETHERELL,
WILLIAM E. FALES,
E. FRANCIS LEMAIRE,
Board of Assessors

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

GENERAL TAXES

Balances January 1, 1941:

Levy of 1938,	\$ 323.66	
Levy of 1939,	9,746.63	
Levy of 1940,	20,307.04	
	<u> </u>	\$30,377.33

Additional commitments,	71,945.08	
Adjustments,	12.54	
	<u> </u>	71,957.62

Total,	<u> </u>	<u>\$102,334.95</u>
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Less: Collections,	78,525.53	
Tax Titles,	1,019.62	
Abatements,	366.00	
	<u> </u>	79,911.15

Balances December 31, 1941:

Levy of 1938,	\$ 50.74	
Levy of 1939,	469.90	
Levy of 1940,	6,439.65	
Levy of 1941,	15,463.51	
	<u> </u>	\$22,423.80

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

Balances, January 1, 1941:

Levy of 1938,	\$ 155.47	
Levy of 1939,	162.63	
Levy of 1940,	838.51	
	<u> </u>	\$1,156.61

Additional Commitments,	\$9,335.37	
Refunds,	86.73	
Adjustment,	3.24	
	<u> </u>	9,425.34

Total,	<u> </u>	<u>\$10,581.95</u>
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Less: Collections,	\$8,954.97	
Abatements,	479.18	
	<u> </u>	9,434.15
Balances, December 31, 1941:		
Levy of 1938,	\$ 143.80	
Levy of 1939,	103.99	
Levy of 1940,	271.83	
Levy of 1941,	628.18	
	<u> </u>	1,147.80

FIRE DISTRICT TAXES

Balances, January 1, 1941:		
Levy of 1938,	\$ 4.62	
Levy of 1939,	404.96	
Levy of 1940,	987.66	
	<u> </u>	\$1,397.24
Additional Commitments,		3,436.31
		<u> </u>
Total,		\$4,833.55
Less: Collections,	\$3,864.89	
Tax Titles,	2.30	
Adjustments,	12.73	
	<u> </u>	3,879.92
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Balances, December 31, 1941:		
Levy of 1939,	\$ 20.50	
Levy of 1940,	296.52	
Levy of 1941,	636.61	
	<u> </u>	\$ 953.63

GEORGE E. SMITH, Collector

FINANCAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1941

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Salaries:

Vinton I. Reynolds, Moderator,	\$ 20.00
Vinton I. Reynolds, Selectman,	150.00
John B. Scott, Selectman,	150.00
Charles B. Flaherty, Selectman,	150.00
Carl J. Bottomley, Overseer of Public Welfare,	100.00
Bernard Cabisius, Overseer of Public Welfare,	100.00
Mabel Richmond, Overseer of Public Welfare,	18.90
W. Robert LaChapelle, Overseer of Public Welfare,	81.10
George E. Smith, Treasurer,	500.00
George E. Smith, Tax Collector,	500.00
Arthur M. Freeman, Town Accountant,	500.00
Leonard A. Witherell, Assessor,	350.00
William E. Fales, Assessor,	350.00
E. Francis Lemaire, Assessor,	350.00
George E. Smith, Town Clerk,	150.00

Total,	\$3,470.00
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Selectmen's Expenses:

John B. Scott, Clerk,	\$ 75.00
Bristol County Selectmen's Association, Dues,	6.00
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., Forms,	9.00
Sullivan's Office Supply Co., Typewriter Ribbon,	1.00
The Sun Publishing Co., Advertising,	1.80
Taunton Daily Gazette, Advertising,	1.68
Vinton I. Reynolds, Expenses,	58.84
John B. Scott, Expenses,	76.95
Secretary of the Commonwealth, Law Books,	20.00

Total,	\$ 250.27
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Accountant's Expenses:

Capitol Stationery Co., Inc., File Folders,	\$.98
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Forms,	10.07
Secretary of the Commonwealth, Law Books,	20.00
The Technoprint Co., Forms,	6.26
Doris Durgin, Typing,	5.00
Arthur M. Freeman, Expenses,	74.75

Total,	\$ 117.06
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Treasurer's Expenses:

Doris Durgin, Clerical Work,	\$ 336.55
George E. Smith, Executing Deeds,	12.00
Joseph Yelle, Notary Fees,	1.00
Attleboro Print, Inc., Printing,	24.99
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Certification of Notes,	8.00
Thomas W. Curran, Postmaster, Stamps,	40.00
First National Bank, Attleboro, Checks,	4.31
First National Bank of Boston, Postage,	.21
W. W. Gibson & Co., Envelopes,	2.45
Grant's Inc., Supplies,	4.85
Irene H. Seel, Treasurer's Bond,	70.00
Sullivan's Office Supply Co., Supplies,	1.85
George E. Smith, Telephone, etc.,	29.92
George E. Smith, Transportation,	24.00
George E. Smith, Office Rent,	25.00

Total,	\$ 585.13
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Tax Collector's Expenses:

Doris Durgin, Clerical Work,	\$ 206.55
Lester Hewitt, Notarizing Deeds,	5.50
George E. Smith, Fees, Deed, Notices and Demands,	35.20
Joseph Yelle, Notarizing Deeds,	1.00
Attleboro Print, Inc., Printing,	23.70
Thomas W. Curran, Postmaster, Stamps,	140.00
W. W. Gibson & Co., Envelopes,	4.16
Hobbs & Warren Inc., Cash Books,	9.63
A. W. LaFond Co., Forms and Tax Bills,	62.95

Railway Express Agency, Express,	.30
Register of Deeds, Recording Fees,	12.09
Robinson Seal Co., Inc., Forms,	3.18
Irene H. Seel, Collector's and Deputy's Bond,	115.00
The Sun Publishing Co., Advertising,	14.90
George E. Smith, Telephone,	6.33
George E. Smith, Transportation,	24.00
George E. Smith, Office Rent,	25.00

Total,	\$ 689.49
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Assessors' Expenses:

M. F. Ashley & Co., Lumber,	\$ 6.50
The Davol Printing House, Stationery,	47.09
Robert N. Eddleston, Painting,	2.00
William E. Fales, Stove,	6.00
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., Books,	9.25
Minnetta M. Miller, Transfer Cards,	67.94
Elsie A. Rogers, Probate Records,	1.80
Maurice C. Smith & Co., Inc., Chairs,	23.85
Leonard A. Witherell, Expenses,	77.25
William E. Fales, Expenses,	96.47
E. Francis Lemaire, Expenses,	60.30

Total,	\$ 398.45
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Town Clerk's Expenses:

George E. Smith, Recording Births, Marriages and Deaths,	\$ 122.50
Atteboro Print Inc., Stationery,	11.27
Robinson Seal Co., Inc., Certificates,	4.78
Irene H. Seel, Town Clerk's Bond,	7.50
Sullivan's Office Supply Co., Supplies,	1.45
Massachusetts Town Clerks' Association,	2.00
George E. Smith, Expenses,	9.80
George E. Smith, Office Rent,	100.00

Total,	\$ 259.30
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ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Registrars:

Albert F. Woodward,	\$ 30.00
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Homer L. Lane,	30.00
Elwin F. Nason,	30.00
George E. Smith, Clerk,	40.00
Sundry Persons, Services as Tellers,	42.50
Frank A. Clapp, Constable,	12.00
Percy L. Hinds, Listing Names,	47.50
Ruth B. Murrey, Listing Names,	42.00
Ada Russell, Listing Names,	40.50
W. R. Scott, Listing Names,	42.50
Ruth M. Scott, Typing Warrants,	5.00
Vinton I. Reynolds, Addressing Notices,	9.00
Attleboro Print, Inc., Post Cards,	14.00
Senior Class, Norton High School, Clerical Work,	12.00
The Davol Printing House, Ballots,	25.48
Robinson Seal Co., Inc., Cards,	18.25
Total,	\$ 440.73

LEGAL EXPENSES

Swift & Swift, Services,	\$ 42.74
Total,	\$ 42.74

TOWN HALL

W. R. Scott, Janitor,	\$ 286.65
Harry Doherty, Labor,	2.00
William Owen, Sr., Labor,	6.00
Ralph F. Clapp, Setting Glass,	1.00
Copeland Hardware Co., Rental of Sander, Supplies,	11.65
Alton H. Foster, Repairs,	4.00
Modene Paint Service Store, Shellac, etc.,	11.82
Norton Power & Electric Co., Services, Supplies,	85.88
J. C. Pratt, Janitor's Supplies,	10.89
W. C. S. Wood, Coke,	78.00
Woodward Bros., Wood,	12.00
Alphee Pelletier, Wood,	24.00
Herbert Jennings, Repairs,	94.63
Total,	\$ 628.52

TOWN HALL—SPECIAL REPAIRS

H. Eddleston & Son, Painting,	\$ 645.00
David F. Rocha, Covering Walls with plywood,	250.00
Total,	<u>\$ 895.00</u>

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Services:

B. B. Scanlon, General,	\$1,182.50
B. B. Scanlon, Court Fees,	245.85
B. B. Scanlon, Dog Officer,	25.00
B. B. Scanlon, Custody and Disposal of Dogs,	68.00
Edward Allen,	5.00
Stephen Benaski,	58.50
Mae Braman, Police Matron,	10.50
Carl H. Draper,	66.70
W. R. Scott,	84.00
William Tucker,	5.00
Attleboro Print, Inc., Letterheads,	3.50
M. Bennett, M.D., Treatment,	11.00
J. C. Pratt, Batteries,	3.00
B. B. Scanlon, Postage,	5.00
Traffic and Road Equipment Co., Services to Beacon,	20.00
Total,	<u>\$1,793.55</u>

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Salaries and Wages:

Harold L. Wetherell, chief,	\$1,303.56
Earl Barclay, Clerk,	25.00
Volunteer Firemen,	493.50

Other Expenses:

American LaFrance-Foamite Corp., Nozzle and Fittings,	41.41
Boston Coupling Co., Fittings,	4.49
Boston Woven Hose & Rubber Co., Hose,	284.40
Myron F. Briggs, Rent of Garage,	60.00

Brownell Hardware Co., Supplies,	3.20
Chartley Service Station, Gasoline,	1.39
F. O. Eldridge, Supplies,	11.50
Eureka Fire Hose Division, Hose and Equip- ment,	154.15
Wm. F. Flynn & Son, Supplies,	1.80
Alton H. Foster, Repairs,	47.60
Foster's Garage, Repairs, Gasoline and Oil,	39.35
Foster's Garage, Rent of Garage,	60.00
The Glidden Co., Paint,	4.73
Gorham Fire Equipment Co., Supplies and Repairs,	18.91
The A. S. Ingraham Co., Supplies,	6.00
Oliver Johnson & Co., Inc., Anti-freeze,	7.08
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., Service,	98.76
Norton Center Garage, Tires,	120.00
Norton Center Garage, Supplies and Repairs,	49.72
Norton Power & Electric Co., Service, Sta- tion and Siren,	52.80
E. T. Roberts, Gasoline, Oil, etc.,	78.13
A Schrader's Sons, Supplies,	4.53
Sturdy Bros., Inc., Rent of Land,	25.00
Total,	\$2,997.01

FOREST FIRES

Sundry Persons, Services,	\$ 555.50
Knight & Thomas, Inc., 6 Pump Tanks,	55.86
Foster's Garage, Repairs,	4.20
O. E. White, Expenses,	5.50
Total,	\$ 621.06

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Robinson Seal Company, Inc., Supplies,	\$ 14.08
W. Walter Becker, Services,	107.00
W. Walter Becker, Transportation,	18.00
Total,	\$ 139.08

MOTH EXTERMINATION

Bernard A. Cabisius, Supervision,	\$ 38.00
Percy Hatch, Labor,	162.50
Clark Jordan, Labor,	162.50
Fitzhenry-Guptill Co., Parts,	56.13
Foster's Garage, Repairs to truck and pump,	153.97
Norton Center Garage, Gasoline, Oil, etc.,	59.48
W. W. Gibson & Co., Notices,	4.90
Total,	\$ 637.48

TREE WARDEN

Paid for Labor:

Harry Doherty,	\$ 19.50
Russell Ring,	11.44
Ernest Briggs,	10.40
Gordon Haskell,	3.12
Albert Lincoln,	24.00

Total,	\$ 68.46
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REFORESTATION

Sundry Persons, Labor,	\$ 146.40
House in the Pines, Express on trees,	.77
Total,	\$ 147.17

TOWN FARM REPAIRS

Harry Doherty, Labor,	\$ 5.00
Total,	\$ 5.00

BOARD OF HEALTH

Elmer W. Clarke, M.D., Services	\$ 92.00
Alphee Pelletier, Inspector of Slaughtering,	100.00
Alphee Pelletier, Inspector of Slaughtering,	100.00
W. Walter Becker, Milk Inspector,	50.00
Eugene Pike, Labor,	3.84
James Richmond, Labor,	3.84

Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital, Board and Care,	434.20
Lakeville State Sanatorium, Board and Care,	186.00
R. G. Ockert, M.D., Treatments,	28.00
The National Drug Co, Vaccine,	5.83
Sharp & Dohme, Vaccine,	2.15
Total,	<u>\$1,005.86</u>

SCHOOL NURSE

Drusilla Foster, Services,	\$ 900.00
Total,	<u>\$ 900.00</u>

BRISTOL COUNTY TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

County Treasurer,	<u>\$1,861.66</u>
Total,	<u>\$1,861.66</u>

SCHOOLS

Superintendent	
L. G. Nourse,	\$2,400.00
Teachers' Salaries:	
Charles S. Randall,	2,600.00
William C. Morrison,	1,540.00
Helen J. Caffrey,	1,650.00
Jean M. Findlater,	1,436.25
Helen Roche,	357.00
Loretta McHugh,	1,330.25
Gertrude Woodward,	1,010.00
Mary E. Larkin,	225.00
Mildred B. Greene,	1,296.75
Eleanor M. Savaria,	941.06
Lucille A. Clapp,	1,160.00
Mildred E. Wetherell,	1,143.00
Barbara Freeman,	886.05
Esther M. Bradstreet,	1,300.00
Clarence H. Salls,	1,019.59
Margaret Crouse,	1,074.00

Dorothy Russell,	420.00	
Charlotie S. Harnden,	160.00	
Eleanor McLaughlin,	300.00	
Mrs. Alice Illingworth,	770.00	
Mrs. Rowena B. Rice,	800.00	
Anna L. Hey,	990.00	
Virginia Prario,	769.37	
Henri A. Yelle,	765.00	
Madeline Shaw,	603.75	
Helen M. Kelly,	167.89	
Robert C. Jackson,	92.10	
George F. Johnston,	81.05	
Mrs. Marjorie C. Foster,	88.00	
Mrs. Eleanor Clapp,	232.00	
Ann King,	25.00	
Carolyn U. Turner,	5.40	
Mrs. Marion C. Fales,	5.00	
Mary Precourt,	5.00	
		\$25,248.51
Books,		\$ 994.65
Educational Supplies,		1,520.91
Tuition:		
City of Attleboro,	\$ 518.16	
New Bedford Vocational School,	28.80	
		546.96
Transportation:		
Walter H. Barrows,	\$2,918.00	
Carleton Draper,	1,930.00	
H. W. Honey,	1,360.00	
		6,208.00
Janitors' Services		
Adelbert Lamothe,	\$1,312.50	
Fred Keene,	997.50	
Charles Adair,	945.00	
Walter Becker,	114.00	
		3,369.00
Fuel and Light:		
F. E. Roach,	\$1,494.27	
Norton Power & Electric Co.,	279.93	

Miscellaneous,	68.46	
		1,842.66
Maintenance and Repairs:		
Irving L. Dorr,	\$ 510.87	
Watson Bros.,	175.36	
William E. Fales,	253.56	
Miscellaneous,	1,117.51	
		2,057.30
Furniture and Furnishings,		513.89
Miscellaneous:		
Elmer W. Clarke, School Physi-		
cian,	\$ 200.00	
Mrs. Helen W. Gavin, Clerk of		
School Committee,	50.00	
New England Telephone & Tele-		
graph Co.,	147.65	
L. G. Nourse, Traveling Expen-		
ses,	96.26	
Aurore Lamothe, Clerical work,	85.73	
Drusilla Foster, Truant Officer,	25.00	
Sundry Persons,	143.10	
		747.74
Total,		\$45,449.62

HIGHWAYS—CHAPTER 81

Labor:	
Harold S. Woodward,	\$ 1,252.02
Clifford Casey,	880.71
Wallace Casey,	649.28
Herbert Bryant,	562.56
Maurice Casey,	479.43
Lester Holmes,	465.25
Ernest White,	555.19
Noah White,	466.41
Eugene Pike,	425.13
James Richmond,	365.96
Joseph Demers,	275.91
Andrew Scott,	166.77

Harry McCloskey,	172.34
Raymond Waterman,	211.62
William Hunt,	114.45
Sundry Persons (less than \$50.00 each),	117.64
Trucks and Equipment:	
W. E. Fales,	\$ 364.50
J. E. Fitzgerald,	190.50
H. H. Seltsam,	387.88
McCabe Sand & Gravel Co.,	596.50
B. F. Fales,	218.00
H. H. Vickery,	80.00
Winnecunnet Turkey Farm,	16.00
Tractors, Inc.,	59.00
George E. Mandigo,	604.50
Equipment Fund,	2,071.28
Sand and Gravel:	
Peter H. Blette,	\$ 177.80
Mauriice Casey,	237.57
Charles Kenniston,	90.60
Maurice Reynolds,	12.30
Herbert H. Seltsam,	78.50
Other Expenses:	
George H. DeWitt & Son, Calcium Chloride,	\$ 55.50
Independent Coal Tar Co., Road Material,	815.66
Koppers Company, Road Material,	2,018.61
Mansfield Lumber Co., Supplies,	2.97
New England Concrete Pipe Corp., Pipe,	50.18
New England Metal Culvert Co., Culverts,	81.70
The Pierce Hardware Co., Lawn Seed,	1.95
Powers Bros. Co., Crushed Stone,	46.00
Shell Oil Company, Asphalt,	248.08
W. C. S. Wood, Cement and Lime,	8.75
Total,	\$15,675.00

HIGHWAYS—CHAPTER 90—CONSTRUCTION

Labor:

Harold S. Woodward,	\$ 198.00
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Clifford Casey,	161.60
Wallace Casey,	212.00
Herbert Bryant,	167.50
Lester Holmes,	167.50
Maurice Casey,	167.50
Ernest White,	164.82
Noah White,	121.00
Eugene Pike,	125.00
James Richmond,	109.00
Harry McCloskey,	62.00
Andrew Scott,	57.00
Sundry Persons (less than \$50.00 each),	139.00
Trucks and Equipment:	
H. H. Seltsam,	795.00
W. E. Fales,	160.00
B. F. Fales,	28.00
Sand and Gravel:	
Bernard Cabisius,	256.20
Maurice Casey,	25.30
Charles Kenniston,	7.30
Koppers Company, Road Material,	385.24
Equipment Fund,	791.60
Total,	\$ 4,300.56

HIGHWAYS——CHAPTER 90——MAINTENANCE

Labor:

Harold W. Woodward,	\$ 113.33
Clifford Casey,	57.76
Wallace Casey,	84.44
Herbert Bryant,	77.14
Maurice Casey,	75.02
Ernest White,	72.90
Noah White,	74.22
Eugene Pike,	74.22
James Richmond,	64.02
Sundry Persons (less than \$50.00 each),	117.00

Other:

Koppers Company, Road Material,	344.71
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Harry Salley, Mowing,	84.00
Equipment Fund,	243.84
Sundry,	17.40
Total,	<u>\$ 1,500.00</u>

CHARLOTTE AVENUE

Labor:	
Sundry Persons (less than \$25.00 each),	\$ 170.94
Trucks and Equipment:	
W. E. Fales,	53.25
J. E. Fitzgerald,	50.25
George Mandigo,	236.01
Equipment Fund,	70.89
Other:	
R. Loring Hayward, Surveying,	27.50
Maurice Casey, Gravel,	68.90
Swift & Swift, Checking Titles,	22.26
Total,	<u>\$ 700.00</u>

BRIDGES AND EQUIPMENT

Labor:	
Harold S. Woodward,	\$ 72.00
Clifford Casey,	44.08
Other:	
Frank A. Clapp, Posts,	5.50
S. F. Doane Inc., Supplies,	39.98
William F. Flynn & Son, Supplies,	14.23
Alton H. Foster, Pipe,	5.00
John J. Gobell Co. Supplies,	3.53
Hemingway Bros., Trucking,	.96
Mansfield Lumber Co., Lumber,	118.16
The Pierce Hardware Co., Supplies,	8.17
J. C. Pratt, Supplies,	3.95
Railway Express Agency, Express,	.50
Roy Scott, Sawing Wood,	7.50
E. W. Systrom Co., Tools and Supplies,	46.76

Harold L. Wetherell, Paint and Brushes,	12.60
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Total,	\$ 382.92
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SNOW REMOVAL

Labor:

Harold S. Woodward,	\$ 103.32
Clifford Casey,	102.78
Sundry Persons (less than \$50.00 each),	199.19

Trucks:

Winneconnet Turkey Farm,	47.50
W. E. Fales,	106.25
B. F. Fales,	100.00
J. E. Fitzgerald,	45.00
Equipment Fund,	178.89

Other:

L. E. Ball, Freight,	1.00
George H. DeWitt & Son, Calcium Chloride,	58.80
R. H. Files & H. J. O'Keefe Co., Snow Plow Blade,	10.68
Mansfield Lumber Co., Snow Fence,	150.00
Whitney Bros., Inc., Covers,	23.70

Total,	\$1,127.11
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EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT

Harold S. Woodward, Labor,	\$ 24.00
Clifford Casey, Labor,	16.24
Boston & Taunton Transportation Co., Trucking,	1.35
The Attleboro Forge Repairs,	6.86
Brownell Hardware Co., Belting,	.80
The Buffalo Springfield Roller Co., Grease,	2.40
Clark-Wilcox Co., Parts,	3.58
LeLuxe Filter & Piston Co., Filter, etc.,	12.50
S. F. Doane Inc., Parts,	1.72
M. F. Ellis & Co., Wipers,	8.50
R. H. Files & H. J. O'Keefe Co., Parts,	17.05
Fisk, Alden Co., Parts,	19.86

Alton H. Foster, Trucking,	4.00
Foster's Garage, Repairs, Oil, etc.,	716.25
John J. Gobell, Wipers,	8.13
Hope Rubber Co., Inc., Hose,	4.90
Lane Brothers Co., Tire,	9.50
MacAdam Motors, Parts,	8.78
Mansfield Lumber Co. Paint, etc.,	4.59
Martin & Burt, Repairs,	11.50
New England Tel & Tel. Co., Service,	52.61
N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R., Freight,	.94
Norton Center Garage, Gasoline,	752.27
Norton Center Garage Tires, Repairs, etc.,	394.11
P. I. Perkins Co., Supplies,	2.00
Petroleum Products Co. Inc., Oil and Grease,	13.18
The Pierce Hardware Co., Supplies,	21.90
Pratt Equipment Co., Repairs,	22.50
Registry of Motor Vehicles, Plates,	24.00
Sears, Roebuck Co., Parts,	.22
E. W. Systrom Co., Supplies,	31.83
Total,	<u>\$ 2,198.07</u>

EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT—NEW EQUIPMENT

Albert P. Brown, Setting New Tire,	\$ 5.00
Foster's Garage, Installing Tank, Snow Plow, etc.,	105.50
P. I. Perkins Co., Caterpillar Tractor,	1,800.00
Lewis A. Rhodes, Motor,	400.00
Total,	<u>\$ 2,310.50</u>

STREET LIGHTS

Norton Power and Electric Co., Services,	\$1,922.82
Total,	<u>\$ 1,922.82</u>

W. P. A. FUND

Labor:	
Maurice Casey,	\$ 154.75
Andrew Parker,	61.00
Herbert Bryant,	29.50
Ernest White,	22.00

Wallace Casey,	6.50
Other:	
The Attleboro Forge, Repairs,	8.32
Maurice Casey, Gravel,	171.40
Bernard A. Cabisius, Clerical Wark,	7.50
John P. Gonzals Engineering Services,	242.00
R. Loring Hayward, Engineering Services,	27.00
Lawrence Reinhard, Transportation,	28.50
Equipment Fund,	184.88
Total,	\$ 943.35

PUBLIC WELFARE

Cash Aid:	
Sundry Persons,	\$ 1,346.00
Groceries:	
J. G. Adair,	35.91
M. O. Alger,	181.17
Fernandes Market,	50.50
Norton Public Market,	20.00
J. C. Pratt,	156.21
Fuel	
J. C. Pratt, Oil,	40.31
W. C. S. Wood, Wood,	12.00
Board and Care:	
Mrs Rose Bellavance,	208.00
Mrs. George Charette,	168.00
Mrs. Ethel Collins,	216.00
Mabel Delano,	21.00
Mildred Ellis Rest Home,	34.28
Mrs. Ada Marshall,	22.00
Medicine and Medical Attendance:	
Dr. E. W. Clarke,	420.00
Sturdy Memorial Hospital,	294.40
Ashley & Co.,	33.19
St. Marie's Optical Store,	5.00
Mass. General Hospital,	3.00
Rent:	
B. B. Scanlon,	144.00

Mrs. Agnes Richmond,	66.00
L. O. Rawcliffe,	40.00
Mrs. Stephen Benaski,	10.00

Clothing:

Army and Navy Store,	17.00
Henry Dion,	10.85
London's,	13.63
Siliman's, Inc.,	10.00
Victory Shoe Repairing,	1.00

State Institutions:

Mass. Department of Public Welfare,	730.00
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Outside Relief:

City of Taunton,	339.07
Town of Dighton,	21.00
City of Attleboro,	526.75

Miscellaneous:

J. C. Pratt, Supplies,	32.04
Donald Wiley, Trucking,	81.00
City of Taunton, Commissary Maintenance	28.93
Roland Sweet, Trucking,	108.00
Roy Scott, Trucking,	18.00
Surplus Commodities Division, Administrative Expenses,	109.88
Willis M. Dagen, Funeral,	100.00
John W. Money, Funeral,	100.00
Arlene Plunkett, Clerk of Commissary,	40.00

Total,	\$ 5,814.12
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PUBLIC WELFARE—ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Carl J. Bottomley, Salary, Agent,	\$ 547.50
Corinne C. Bottomley, Salary, Clerk,	511.65
Carl J. Bottomley, Expenses,	212.31
Mabel A. Richmond, Expenses,	3.70
Swift & Swift, Legal Services,	86.00
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., Forms, etc.,	13.68
Boston Council of Social Agencies, Subscription,	8.00
The Davol Printing House, Forms,	2.20

Sullivan's Office Supply Co., Supplies,	1.93
George E. Smith, Certificates,	1.75

Total,	<u>\$ 1,388.72</u>
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AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Sundry Persons, Cash Aid,	\$ 2,330.50
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Total,	<u>\$ 2,330.50</u>
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AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN—FEDERAL GRANT

Sundry Persons, Cash Aid,	\$ 1,292.50
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Total,	<u>\$ 1,292.50</u>
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AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN—FEDERAL GRANT ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Carl J. Bottomley, Salary, Agent,	\$ 19.50
Corinne C. Bottomley, Salary, Clerk,	11.45
Carl J. Bottomley, Expenses,	31.93
Sullivan's Office Supply Co., Supplies,	2.94

Total,	<u>\$ 65.82</u>
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OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Sundry Persons, Cash Aid,	\$15,535.75
Town of Wareham, Aid,	25.67
City of Attleboro, Aid,	300.14
Town of Berkley, Aid,	40.00
Town of North Attleboro, Aid,	32.50
City of Quincy, Aid,	50.00
City of Revere, Aid,	60.00

Total,	<u>\$16,044.06</u>
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OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—FEDERAL GRANT

Sundry Persons, Cash Aid,	\$13,722.23
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Total,	<u>\$13,722.23</u>
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OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—FEDERAL GRANT
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Carl J. Bottomley, Salary, Agent,	\$ 168.00
Corinne C. Bottomley, Salary, Clerk,	100.90
Carl J. Bottomley, Expenses,	152.64
U. S. Postoffice, Stamped Envelopes,	33.24
Sullivan's Office Supply Co., Supplies,	13.40
Total,	\$ 468.18

SOLDIERS' RELIEF

Sundry Persons, Cash Aid,	\$ 323.76
Elmer W. Clarke, M.D., Services,	162.00
Sturdy Memorial Hospital, Board and Care,	9.00
J. C. Pratt, Groceries,	4.00
W. C. S. Wood, Coal,	42.50
C. T. Bailey, Wood,	9.00
Total,	\$ 550.26

STATE AND MILITARY AID

Sundry Persons, Cash Aid, .	\$ 120.00
Total,	\$ 120.00

CARE OF COMMON

James Richmond, Labor,	\$ 27.60
Donald Wiley, Labor,	6.63
William H. Russell, Sharpening Mower,	1.00
Total,	\$ 35.23

MEMORIAL DAY

Legion Auxiliary, Refreshments,	\$ 20.00
Boston Store, Flags,	42.32
Bruce, the Florist, Wreath,	5.00
Taunton Post, American Legion, Bugle and Drum Corps,	40.00
Total,	\$ 107.32

TOWN REPORTS

W. W. Gibson & Co., Printing,	\$ 336.50
Distribution:	
Vinton I. Reynolds,	6.00
W. R. Scott,	6.00
C. E. Flaherty,	2.00
Frank Clapp,	4.00
Total,	<u>\$ 354.50</u>

INSURANCE

Ora A. Andrews,	\$ 988.90
George B. Clements,	1,194.86
Irene H. Seel,	237.60
Travelers Insurance Co.,	184.00
Total,	<u>\$ 2,605.36</u>

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

Lampert & Co., Medical Supplies,	\$ 459.90
The Pierce Hardware Co., Supplies,	62.78
Spaulding-Moss Co., Planographing,	37.50
N. E. Tel. and Tel. Co., Services,	44.49
Vinton I. Reynolds, Expenses,	29.02
Miscellaneous,	45.23
Total,	<u>\$ 678.92</u>

LIBRARY

Norton Public Library, Apropriation,	\$ 1,000.00
Total,	<u>\$ 1,000.00</u>

WATER

Labor:	
Fred Miller,	\$ 1,980.00
Clarence Rich,	1,250.00
Louis Moniz,	91.50

James Newcomb,	75.00
Joseph Moniz, Jr.,	44.50
Manuel Fernandes,	42.00
Joseph Demers,	31.50
Egidio Fernandes,	23.00
Other (less than \$20.00 each),	135.50

Administrative Expenses:

Leonard A. Witherell, Clerk,	200.00
George E. Smith, Collector,	200.00
New England Tel. and Tel. Co., Services,	85.73
Sullivan's Office Supply Co., Filing Cabinet,	18.90
N. E. Water Works Association, Dues,	6.00

Pipe, Fittings, etc.:

Babbitt & Simmons, Fittings,	12.83
George A. Caldwell Co., Fittings,	139.97
Cambridge Machine & Valve Co., Inc., Hydrants, etc.,	662.06
DeLuxe Filter & Piston Co., Supplies,	10.40
Eureka Pipe Co., Inc., Pipe and Fittings,	117.21
The Farnan Brass Works Co., Fittings,	17.00
Fairbanks, Morse & Co., Nozzle, etc.,	75.64
E. L. LeBaron Foundry Co., Fittings,	20.29
W. R. Park, Inc., Pipe,	11.32
Pope & Read, Fittings,	48.60
Red Hed Mfg. Co., Valve,	8.48
Warren Pipe Co. of Mass., Pipe,	92.40

Miscellaneous:

Carpenter Mfg. Co., Spotlight,	15.00
Chartley Service Station, Gasoline and oil,	26.92
Corcoran Supply Co., Lead,	155.91
S. F. Doane Inc., Tools and Supplies,	32.16
M. F. Ellis & Co., Supplies,	36.05
Raymond W. Fales, Oil,	71.63
Foster's Garage, Repairs,	17.00
The Foxboro Co. Repairs, etc.,	34.94
General Electric Co., Switch, etc.,	12.39
The Hallemite Mfg. Co., Paint,	14.55
McCabe Sand & Gravel Co. Compressor rental,	43.75
Mueller Co., Parts,	29.17
New England Meter Repair Co., Repairing Meters,	63.18

Norton Center Garage, Gasoline, Repairs, etc.,	127.19
Norton Power & Electric Co., Power,	1,981.99
Ed. Palfrey Co., Painting Water Tank,	750.00
The Pinel Tool Co., Chain Hoist,	32.50
J. C. Pratt, Gasoline, etc.,	140.40
W. H. Riley & Son, Compressor Rental,	61.25
The Texas Co., Motor Oil,	33.00
Walworth Company, Tools, etc.,	24.55
W. C. S. Wood, Coal, Cement,	63.50
Miscellaneous,	37.05
Total,	\$ 9,203.91

WATER—SPECIAL APPROPRIATION—MAIN STREET

Sundry Persons, Labor,	\$ 66.00
S. F. Doane Inc., Supplies,	40.82
Eureka Pipe Co., Inc., Pipe and Fittings,	109.92
E L. LeBaron Foundry Co., Fittings,	122.02
Hayes Pump & Machinery Co., Compressor Rental, etc.,	173.00
M. F. Ellis & Co., Supplies,	98.78
Cambridge Machine & Valve Inc., Valves, etc.,	475.08
Norton Center Garage, Gasoline, Repairs, etc.,	27.14
Johns Manville Sales Corp. Pipe and Couplings,	4,860.17
Miscellaneous,	27.07
Total,	\$ 6,000.00

WATER—SPECIAL APPROPRIATION— NORTH WORCESTER STREET

Johns Manville Sales Corp., Pipe,	\$ 2,746.40
Cambridge Machine & Valve Inc., Hydrants,	312.00
George A. Caldwell Co., Fittings,	34.47
Hayes Pump & Machinery Co., Trucking Compressor,	39.00
E. L. LeBaron Foundry Co., Fittings,	29.10
W. W. Becker, Use of Truck,	26.00
Eureka Pipe Co., Inc., Fittings,	125.00
Abreans Trucking & Compressor Service, Compressor Rental,	51.00

Miscellaneous,	64.58
Total,	<u>\$ 3,427.55</u>

WATER—SPECIAL APPROPRIATION
WASHINGTON STREET

Cambridge Machine & Valve, Inc., Hydrants,	\$ 312.00
Miscellaneous,	16.88
Total,	<u>\$ 328.88</u>

PERPETUAL CARE—CEMETERIES

Labor:

F. W. Hatch,	\$ 370.42
W. R. Scott,	182.36
Andrew Scott,	67.20
Edward Gwilliam,	27.50
Sundry Persons (less than \$20.00 each),	74.06

Other:

The Pierce Hardware Co., Supplies,	19.42
Other,	49.50
Total,	<u>\$ 790.46</u>

INTEREST

Water Loan,	\$ 2,082.50
High School Heating Plant,	50.00
Sturdy School Addition,	60.00
Temporary Loans,	61.02
Total,	<u>\$2,253.52</u>

MATURING DEBT

Water Loan,	\$ 4,000.00
High School Heating Plant,	1,000.00
Sturdy School Addition,	1,000.00
Total,	<u>\$6,000.00</u>

TEMPORARY LOANS

First National Bank of Boston,	\$20,000.00
Jackson & Curtiss,	40,000.00
Total,	\$60,000.00

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:	
State Tax,	\$ 6,435.00
State Parks and Reservations Tax,	119.10
State Audit Tax,	14.84
County of Bristol:	
County Tax,	4,781.97
Total,	\$11,350.91

DOG LICENSES

County of Bristol,	\$ 772.00
Total,	\$ 772.00

FIRE DISTRICT REVENUE

W. C. S. Wood, Treasurer,	\$ 3,877.43
Total,	\$ 3,877.43

PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

George E. Smith, Treasurer,	\$ 950.00
Total,	\$ 950.00

HENRIETTA HODGES LIBRARY FUND

Norton Public Library, Interest,	\$ 91.00
Total,	\$ 91.00

REFUNDS

Sundry Persons, Motor Vehicle Excise,	\$	74.87
Total,	\$	74.87
Total Expenditures,		\$246,173.08

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

I submit herewith my report for the year 1941.

General

In 1941, for the second consecutive year, the Town had a large operating surplus. This surplus, in the amount of \$11,340.62, was due to balances remaining in the various departmental appropriations of \$4,202.20, and to the excess of actual over-estimated revenue in the amount of \$7,138.48

Cash

The general cash balance at December 31, 1941, was \$37,879.38, an increase of \$220.39 over the balance at December 31, 1940. Temporary loans at the end of 1941, amounted to only \$10,000.00, a decrease of \$10,000.00 from the previous year; there was therefore a net improvement of \$10,220.39 in the cash position of the Town.

Taxes

A considerable improvement in the status of the tax accounts took place during the year. At December 31, 1941, 21.5 per cent of the current year's levy of general taxes remained outstanding, as compared with 28.6 per cent at the end of 1940. Uncollected taxes for prior years also decreased in amount, from \$10,070.29 to \$6,960.29. Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes outstanding amounted to \$1,147.80 and \$1,156.61 at the end of 1941 and 1940 respectively, and Fire District

Taxes decreased from \$1,397.24 to \$953.63 during the year.

Tax Titles

Tax Titles and Tax Title Possessions at December 31, 1941, amounted to \$4,717.99, an increase of \$320.55 for the year. These accounts represent 93 parcels of property held by the Town.

Accounts Receivable—Water

Water rates outstanding at December 31, 1941, amounted to \$5,899.15, a decrease of \$1,370.90, in comparison with the previous year.

Debt

The bonded debt of the Town at December 31, 1941, amounted to \$51,000.00, payable as follows

Year	Total	Water	Center School	Sturdy School
1942	\$6,000	\$4,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
1943	5,000	4,000	1,000	.....
1944	5,000	4,000	1,000	.....
1945-49	4,000	4,000	Annually	
1950-54	3,000	3,000	Annually	

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR M. FREEMAN,

Town Accountant

TREASURER'S RECEIPTS

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Corporation Taxes,	\$ 7,906.28
Income Tax,	10,291.06
School Fund,	6,190.68
Superintendent of Schools,	1,160.00
Veterans' Exemptions,	14.04

Highway Fund,	6,941.63
Division of Livestock Disease Control,	50.00
Department of Public Health,	319.99
Highways, Chapter 81,	8,642.14
Highways, Chapter 90,	1,931.81
State Aid,	137.50
Tuition,	275.13
Vocational Education,	79.35
Snow Removal,	27.50
Federal Grant, Old Age Assistance,	13,110.56
Federal Grant, Aid to Dependent Children,	1,621.51
Old Age Assistance,	10,851.96
Aid to Dependent Children,	739.86
Welfare,	90.45
George E. Smith, Collector:	
Taxes, 1941,	55,760.72
Taxes, Previous Years,	22,764.81
Motor Vehicle Excise,	8,954.97
Fire District Taxes,	3,875.64
Interest on Taxes and Excises,	1,005.53
Poll Demands,	14.00
Water Collections,	18,866.36
Sundry Persons, Liquor Licenses,	2,640.00
County of Bristol, Dog Fund,	537.19
George E. Smith, Town Clerk, Dog Licenses,	777.40
Town of Norton, Equipment Fund,	3,580.38
County of Bristol, Highways, Chapter 90,	1,931.81
Sundry Persons, Rent, Town Farm,	262.00
City of Boston, School Department,	61.20
Sundry Cities and Towns, Old Age Assistance,	65.18
Sundry Cities and Towns, Welfare,	756.98
The Attleborough Savings Bank, Interest, Equip-	
ment Fund,	64.51
Temporary Loans,	50,000.00
Sundry Persons, Cemetery Trust Funds,	950.00
Cemetery Trust Funds, Reimbursement,	790.46
Henrietta Hodges Library Fund, Reimbursement,	91.00
Sale of Pines Fund, Transfer,	200.00
Sundry Persons, Tax Title Redemptions,	801.55
Sundry Persons, Welfare Reimbursement,	329.00
Sundry Persons, Miscellaneous Licenses	425.49
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., Forest Fire Damages,	51.50

Sundry Persons, Fines,	117.90
Sundry Persons, Town Hall Rentals,	114.00
Hicks Reserve Fund, Portion of Income,	100.00
Miscellaneous,	122.14
Total,	<u>\$246,393.47</u>
Add—balance January 1, 1941,	37,658.99
Total,	<u>\$284,052.46</u>
Disbursed on approved warrants,	<u>246,173.08</u>
Balance December 31, 1941:	
Cash in banks and in transit	
(including Equipment Fund, \$37,854.38	
Cash on hand,	25.00
	<u>\$37,879.38</u>

TRUST FUNDS

SALE OF PINES FUND

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1941,	\$5,121.71	
Interest received,	113.38	
	<u> </u>	\$5,235.09
Funds withdrawn,		200.00
		<u> </u>
Balance Jan. 1, 1942,		\$5,035.09

NORTON WAR CHEST

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1941,	\$332.06
Interest received,	5.00
	<u> </u>
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1942,	\$337.06

HENRIETTA HODGES LIBRARY FUND

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1941,	\$2,050.31	
Interest received,	40.69	
	<u> </u>	\$2,091.00
Interest withdrawn,		91.00
		<u> </u>
Balance Jan. 1, 1942,		\$2,000.00

GEORGE E. SMITH, Town Treasurer

STATEMENT OF HICKS TRUST FUND

Income Account

Balance, January 1, 1941,	\$ 14.10	
Hicks Reserve Fund,	100.00	
Interest and dividends,	96.80	
	<u> </u>	\$ 210.90

Expenditures

Paid Bills for Cemetery Care,	\$124.58	
One-half Income Town of Norton,	48.40	
Balance on hand,	37.92	
	<u> </u>	\$ 210.90

GEORGE E. SMITH, Treasurer

HICKS RESERVE AND TRUST FUNDS

1941

Statement of Hicks Reserve Fund

Income:

Dividends on Stocks,	\$1,526.00
Interest on Bonds,	1,825.56
Interest on Mortgages,	200.00
Interest and Dividends from Sav- ings and Co-operative Banks,	784.85
	<u> </u>

Gross Income, \$ 4,336.41

Expenses of Administration,	493.95
Net Income,	\$ 3,842.46
Less: Adjustment to Par Value of Securities Purchased,	\$118.75
Transfer to Town of Norton,	100.00
Transfer to Hicks Trust Fund,	100.00
	<u>318.75</u>
Net increase in Fund for Year,	\$ 3,523.71
Balance at beginning of Year,	152,675.12
Balance at end of Year,	<u>\$156,198.83</u>

HICKS RESERVE FUND

Inventory January 1, 1942

35 Matured Shares Norton Savings and Loan,	\$10,500.00
10 Matured Shares Taunton Co-operative Bank,	2,000.00
5 Bonds Atch., Top. & S. F. Ry. Rocky Mt. Div.,	5,000.00
5 Bonds C. B. and Q. Ry.,	5,000.00
1 Bond Delaware and Hudson Ry.,	1,000.00
5 Bonds Great Northern Ry.,	5,000.00
3 Bonds N. Y., N. H. and H. RR. Co.,	3,000.00
5 Bonds Celotex Corporation,	5,000.00
5 Bonds Eastern Gas and Fuel Associates,	5,000.00
1 Bond Eastern States Refrigerating Gompany,	100.00
5 Bonds Gatineau Power,	5,000.00
2 Bonds Potter Realty,	2,000.00
100 Shares Aetna Life Insurance Co.,	4,000.00
100 Shares First Boston Corporation,	3,875.00
100 Shares Manufacturers' Trust,	4,050.00
5 Bonds Southern Cal. Edisons,	5,000.00
5 Bonds Boston Edisons,	5,000.00
28 Shares Atch. Top. and S. F. Ry.,	2,800.00
1 Mortgage Note Denison House,	4,000.00
1 Mortgage Note Peter Voorhees,	2,700.00
100 Shares First National Bank of Boston,	4,662.50
100 Shares First National Bank of Boston,	4,362.50
200 Shares National Shawmut of Boston,	5,475.00

200 Shares National Shawmut of Boston,	5,100.00
40 Shares Second National Bank of Boston,	5,480.00
\$49,000 Defense Bonds, Ser. F,	36,260.00
Bristol County Savings Bank,	3,000.00
Attleboro Trust Company,	3,000.00
Bristol County Trust Co. Savings,	500.00
Taunton Savings Bank,	3,500.00
Attleborough Savings Bank,	4,000.00
Uninvested cash,	833.83
	\$156,198.83

HICKS TRUST FUND

Inventory January 1, 1942

50 Shares National Shawmut Bank of Boston,	\$1,256.25
30 Shares National Shawmut Bank of Boston,	705.00
4 Bonds Boston and Maine Ry.,	400.00
1 Bond B. and M. Ry. Income Mortgage Bond,	1,000.00
1 Bond Eastern States Ref. Co.,	1,000.00
Cash uninvested,	134.20

GEORGE E. SMITH, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE STATE AUDIT

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Department of Corporations and Taxation
 Division of Accounts
 State House, Boston

November 19, 1941

To the Board of Selectmen
 Mr. Vinton I. Reynolds, Chairman
 Norton, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Norton for the period from

June 20, 1939, to September 1, 1941, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Herman B. Dine, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

THEODORE N. WADDELL,

Director of Accounts

Mr. Theodore N. Waddell
Director of Accounts
Department of Corporations and Taxation
State House, Boston

Sir:

As directed by you, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Norton for the period from June 20, 1939, the date of the previous audit, to September 1, 1941, the following report being submitted thereon:

The records of financial transactions of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town, or committing bills for collection. The records of disbursements by comparison with the books and records in the offices of the town treasurer and the town accountant.

The books and accounts in the accountant's office were examined and checked in detail. The recorded receipts were compared with the treasurer's books and with the records of the several departments collecting money for the town or committing books for collection. The records or disbursements were checked with the treasury warrants and with the payments as shown by the treasurer's books. The appropriations and transfers, as entered on the ledger, were checked with the town clerk's records of financial votes passed by the town meetings and with the financial committee's authorizations of transfers from the reserve fund.

The ledger accounts were analyzed and a balance sheet, showing the financial condition of the town on September 1, 1941, was prepared and is appended to this report.

It is again recommended that income from trust funds

be withdrawn from the savings banks and deposited in the general cash before any expenditures are made against the income account, and that whenever reimbursements from the State and County on account of Chapter 81 or 90 highway work are not received in time to provide funds for the payment of pay-rolls and materials, temporary loans under the provisions of Section 6A, Chapter 44, General Laws, should be issued by the treasurer.

The books and records of the town treasurer were examined and checked in detail. The recorded receipts were analyzed and compared with the records in the several departments collecting money for the town and with other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury.

The disbursements were checked with the selectmen's warrants authorizing the treasurer to disburse town funds and with the accountant's books. The cash books were footed, the cash in the office on September 1, 1941, was verified, and the bank balances were reconciled with statements furnished by the banks of deposit.

The recorded payments on account of maturing debt and interest were checked with the amounts falling due and were checked with the cancelled securities and coupons on file.

The savings bank books and securities representing the investments of the several trust funds in the custody of the town treasurer were personally examined and listed, the checking accounts being reconciled with statements furnished by the bank of deposit. The income was proved and disbursements were verified.

The tax title deeds in the custody of the treasurer were examined. The reported redemptions were checked with the receipts as recorded on the treasurer's and the accountant's books, the recorded disclaimers and foreclosures were proved, and the tax titles on hand were listed, reconciled with the accountant's ledger, and further verified by checking with the records in the Registry of Deeds.

The books and accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked in detail. The tax and water accounts outstanding according to the previous examination were audited, and all subsequent commitments were analyzed and reconciled with warrants for their collection. The recorded receipts were checked with the payments to the treasurer

and with the town accountant's books, the abatements as recorded were compared with the records of abatements granted, the taxes transferred to the tax title account were compared with the records of tax titles held by the town, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the town accountant's ledger accounts.

Verification of the outstanding tax and water accounts was made by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

The town clerk's records of financial votes passed by the town were examined and checked in detail. The records of dog and of sporting licenses were checked, the payments to the State being verified with the receipts on file, and the payments to the town treasurer being compared with the **treasurer's cash book**. The cash balance was verified by actual count of the cash in the office.

The surety bonds furnished by the several town officials for the faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

The records of licenses and permits issued by the selectmen and the health department were examined and checked, and the payments to the treasurer were verified.

The records of receipts of town hall rentals, of the sealer of weights and measures, of the public welfare department, and of all other departments in which money was collected for the town, were examined and checked, and the payments to the town were verified.

In addition to the balance sheet mentioned, there are appended to this report tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash, summaries of tax, tax title, tax possession, departmental, and water accounts, as well as tables showing the condition and transactions of the several trust funds.

For the co-operation received from the officials of the town while engaged in making the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE,

Assistant Director of Accounts

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
	Dec. 31, 1941	Dec. 31, 1941	Dec. 31, 1940
Cash:			
General,	\$37,879.38	\$37,658.99	
Pine Fund,	4,982.20	5,121.71	
War Memorial Fund,	332.06	332.06	
Total,	<u>\$43,193.64</u>	<u>\$43,112.76</u>	
Accounts Receivable:			
General Taxes:			
Levy of 1938,	50.74	323.66	
" " 1939,	469.90	9,746.63	
" " 1940,	6,439.65	20,307.04	
" " 1941,	15,463.51		
Total,	<u>22,423.80</u>	<u>30,377.33</u>	
Motor Vehicle Excise:			
Levy of 1938,	143.80	155.47	
" " 1939,	103.99	162.63	
Special Funds:			
Pine Fund,		4,982.20	5,121.71
War Memorial Fund,		332.06	332.06
		<u>4,608.58</u>	<u>912.46</u>

Note Payable—Loan in anticipation of Revenue, \$10,000.00 \$20,000.00

Appropriation Balances:

Town Hall Plumbing, 275.00 275.00

Town Farm Repairs, 241.30 196.30

Equipment Account, 223.21 1.78

Highway, Chapter 90, 66.48 337.01

W. P. A. Fund, 59.02 2.37

School Repairs, 100.00

Water Extension—

 North Worcester Street, 572.45

 Washington Street, 3,171.12

Total, 4,608.58 912.46

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1941 AND 1940—Continued

" 1940,	271.83	838.51	Highway Equipment Fund,	3,480.27	4,629.89
" 1941,	628.18				
Total,	1,147.80	1,156.61	Total,	8,794.53	10,083.66
Federal Grants:					
Fire District Taxes:			Old Age Assistance,	154.63	.68
Levy of 1938,		4.62	Aid to Dependent Children,	300.92	40.73
" 1939,	20.50	404.96			
" 1940,	296.52	987.66	Total,	455.55	41.41
" 1941,	636.61				
Total,	953.63	1,397.24	Over-estimates:		
			State Tax,	1,155.50	
Tax Titles,	2,883.33	2,552.49	State Parks Tax,	14.53	7.82
Tax Title Possessions,	1,834.66	1,844.95	County aTx,	26.02	.01
Departmental:			Total,	1,195.55	7.83
Water,	5,899.15	7,270.05			
Old Age Assistance,	2,786.12	2,732.91	Overlays:		
Aid to Dependent Children,	224.33	374.83	Levy of 1938,	50.74	323.66
Public Welfare,	243.45		" 1939,	469.90	1,125.91
			" 1940,	1,388.12	1,388.12
Total,	8,909.60	10,621.24	" 1941,	1,545.90	

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1941 AND 1940—Continued

Miscellaneous: Highway, Chapter 81, Perpetual Care Funds,	80.71	172.85	Total,	3,454.66	2,837.69
	18.97	18.97	Surplus Overlay,	3,140.80	3,850.81
Total,	99.68	191.82	Reserves for Uncollected Revenue:		
			Motor Vehicle Excise,	1,147.80	1,156.61
			Tax Titles,	4,717.99	4,397.44
			Departmental Accounts Re-		
			ceivable,	8,909.60	10,621.24
			Fire District Taxes,	953.63	1,397.24
Overlay Deficit, 1935,		2.00	Total,	15,729.02	17,572.53
			Surplus Revenue,	34,067.45	35,950.68
Total,	\$81,446.14	\$91,256.44	Total,	\$81,446.14	\$91,256.44

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

	Balance Jan. 1, 1941	1941 Appropriation	Receipts and Transfers	Total	Expended	Balance Dec. 31, 1941
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$.
General Government—Salaries	3,470.00			3,470.00	3,470.00	24.73
Selectmen's Expenses	275.00			275.00	250.27	82.94
Accountant's Expenses	200.00			200.00	117.06	49.87
Treasurer's Expenses	635.00			635.00	585.13	10.51
Tax Collector's Expenses	700.00			700.00	689.49	1.55
Assessors' Expenses	400.00			400.00	398.45	15.70
Town Clerk's Expenses	275.00			275.00	259.30	7.27
Election and Registration	448.00			448.00	440.73	7.26
Legal Expenses	50.00			50.00	42.74	71.48
Town Hall	700.00			700.00	628.52	* 275.00
Town Hall Plumbing	\$ 275.00			275.00		
Town Hall—Painting and Repairs.....		760.00	135.00	895.00	895.00	6.45
Police		1,800.00		1,800.00	1,793.55	2.99
Fire.....		3,000.00		3,000.00	2,997.01	.92
Sealer of Weights and Measures		140.00		140.00	139.08	31.54
Tree Warden		100.00		100.00	68.46	
Forest Fires		500.00	121.06	621.06	621.06	62.52
Moth		700.00		700.00	637.48	2.83
Reforestation		150.00		150.00	147.17	* 241.30
Town Farm Repairs	196.30	50.00		246.30	5.00	194.14
Board of Health		1,200.00		1,200.00	1,005.86	
B. C. Tuberculosis Hospital		1,861.66		1,861.66	1,861.66	

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
(Continued)

	Balance Jan. 1, 1941	1941 Appropri- ation	Receipts and Transfers	Total	Expended	Balance Dec. 31, 1941
School Nurse		900.00		900.00	900.00	
Highway—Chapter 81		7,125.00	8,550.00	15,675.00	15,675.00	
Highway—Chapter 90 Maintenance.....		500.00	1,000.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	
Highway—Chapter 90 Construction	337.01	1,162.99	2,867.04	4,367.04	4,300.56	* 66.48
Bridges and Equipment		400.00		400.00	382.92	17.08
Charlotte Avenue		700.00		700.00	700.00	
Snow Removal		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,127.11	* 372.89
Equipment Account	1.78	2,200.00		2,201.78	2,198.07	* 3.71
Equipment Account—New Equipment		2,530.00		2,530.00	2,310.50	219.50
Street Lights		1,975.86		1,975.86	1,922.82	53.04
W. P. A. Fund	2.37	1,000.00		1,002.37	943.35	* 59.02
Public Welfare		7,500.00		7,500.00	5,814.12	1,685.88
Public Welfare Administration		1,404.00		1,404.00	1,388.72	15.28
Aid to Dependent Children		2,500.00		2,500.00	2,330.50	169.50
Aid to Dependent Children—Federal Grant	40.50		1,522.91	1,563.41	1,292.50	* 270.91
Aid to Dependent Children—Federal Grant Administration	.23		66.75	66.98	65.82	* 1.16
Old Age Assistance		17,975.00		17,975.00	16,044.06	1,930.94
Old Age Assistance—Federal Grant.....			13,868.62	13,868.62	13,722.23	* 146.39

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES (Continued)

	Balance Jan. 1, 1941	1941 Appropri- ation	Receipts and Transfers	Total	Expended	Balance Dec. 31, 1941
Old Age Assistance—Federal Grant—						
Administration	.68		475.74	476.42	468.18	* 8.24
Soldiers' Relief		800.00		800.00	550.26	249.74
State Aid		200.00		200.00	120.00	80.00
Schools		45,490.00		45,490.00	45,449.62	40.38
Schools—Special Repairs	100.00		(100.00)			
Library		1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Care of Common		50.00		50.00	35.23	14.77
Memorial Day		150.00		150.00	107.32	42.68
Town Reports		354.50		354.50	354.50	
Insurance		2,700.00		2,700.00	2,605.36	94.64
Reserve Fund		2,000.00	(1,563.39)	436.61		436.61
Committee on Public Safety		100.00	600.00	700.00	678.92	21.08
Water		8,500.00	703.91	9,203.91	9,203.91	
Water—North Worcester Street		4,000.00		4,000.00	3,427.55	* 572.45
Water—Main Street		6,000.00		6,000.00	6,000.00	
Water—Washington Street		3,500.00		3,500.00	328.88	*3,171.12
Interest		2,350.00		2,350.00	2,253.52	96.48
Debt		6,000.00		6,000.00	6,000.00	
	\$953.87	\$149,982.01	\$ 28,247.64	\$179,183.52	\$168,254.55	\$ 10,928.97

* Carried forward to 1942

Parenthesis indicate a reduction

BURIAL FUNDS

COMMON CEMETERY

Name of Fund	Fund of Amount	On Deposit January 1 1941	Interest Received	Expended Care of Lots	Balance January 1 1942
Alden,	\$100.00	\$ 102.92	\$ 3.09	\$ 2.00	\$ 104.01
Arno, Saloni-Flora	75.00	78.07	1.18	3.00	76.25
Arnold, Emelia K.	100.00	109.35	2.19	3.00	108.54
Barker, Alfred (New)	100.00	101.33	2.03		103.36
Bernasconi-Drake	100.00	101.22	2.03	1.00	102.25
Blandin Benjamin	50.00	51.68	.77	1.00	51.45
Braman, Isaac T.	100.00	102.07	2.05	2.00	102.12
Brigs, Alfred Allen	150.00	155.12	3.11	4.00	154.23
Briggs, Charles H.	100.00	103.31	3.12	2.00	104.43
Briggs, Charles L.-Kate R.	100.00	103.31	3.12	2.00	104.43
Briggs, E. Lyman-Ellen	100.00	138.68	2.08		140.76
Burgess, Thomas H.	100.00	100.67	2.01	1.00	101.68
Card, Thomas (New)	100.00		.50		100.00
Chase, William C.	100.00	102.28	2.05	2.00	102.33
Coddling, Erastus-Susan	100.00	102.11	1.54	2.00	101.65
Colbv, Alice Skinner (New)	100.00	101.25	1.53		102.78
Collum, Harry J.	100.00	101.58	1.53	1.50	101.61
Cook and Boucher (New)	200.00	201.00	4.04	1.00	204.04

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit January 1 1941	Interest Received	Expended Care of Lots	Balance January 1 1942
Danforth, Henry G.	100.00	103.56	3.12	3.00	103.68
Danforth, Lemuel	100.00	103.12	2.07	3.00	102.19
Fiske and Eddy (New)	200.00				200.00
Fiske, S. Frank and Frank E.	100.00	102.73	2.05	2.50	102.28
Fletcher, George (New)	100.00		.50		100.50
Fobes, William	50.00	51.68	1.55	1.50	51.73
Freeman, Edgar A.	100.00	101.84	1.53	1.50	101.87
Freeman Henry S.	100.00	104.11	2.09	3.00	103.20
Freeman, Nathaniel-Sarah	100.00	102.67	2.05	2.50	102.22
Hall, Richard Henry	100.00	104.00	2.09	4.00	102.09
Hall, Richard Hutchins	100.00	102.98	2.06	2.00	103.04
Harvey, John J.-Herbert	200.00	217.76	4.36	6.00	216.12
Hill, Jemima	100.00	102.33	1.54	2.00	101.87
Hodges Anna E.	100.00	106.35	2.13	4.00	104.48
Hodges, Leonard M.	100.00	102.56	2.05	2.50	102.11
Hodges, William	300.00	334.77	6.72	10.00	331.49
Holmes and Benham	200.00	202.44	4.06	2.00	204.50
Hunt and Taipe	175.00	179.13	3.59	4.00	178.72

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit January 1 1941	Interest Received	Expended Care of Lots	Balance January 1 1942
Inman (New)	100.00				100.00
King, Mary B.	100.00	101.55	1.53	1.50	101.58
King, Philip B.	100.00	102.84	2.05	2.00	102.89
Lane, Alice-Ellen W.	100.00	104.64	2.09	4.00	102.73
Lane, A. D.-William A.	300.00	380.34	11.51	15.00	376.85
Lane, Capt. Calvin	50.00	51.74	1.03	1.50	51.27
Lane, C. D.-O. H.	300.00	319.30	8.03	10.00	317.33
Lane, Elmer E.	150.00	152.92	3.06	2.00	153.98
Leonard, Everett R.	100.00	103.11	3.12	3.00	103.23
Leonard, Henrietta F.	5,000.00	5,246.40	78.99	148.36	5,177.03
Leonard, Luen C.-Jacob A.	150.00	156.70	4.73	6.00	155.43
Lewis, Graciella	100.00	101.76	1.53	1.50	101.79
Lincoln, Effia M.	100.00	101.81	1.53	2.00	101.34
Morey, Samuel Esq.	150.00	135.20	3.07		156.27
Palmer, Ephraim	100.00	102.63	2.57	2.50	102.70
Parker	100.00	105.66	2.11		107.77
Pearse, Edwin S. (New)	150.00		2.00		152.00
Perry, George-Martha L.	100.00	102.57	2.05	2.50	101.12

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	January 1 1941 On Deposit	Interest Received	Care of Lots Expended	January 1 1942 Balance
Perry, Nathan-Phoebe	50.00	63.60	1.91	4.00	61.51
Pitts	100.00	137.33	2.75	20.00	120.08
Richmond, Benjamin H.	175.00	190.50	2.86	8.00	185.36
Richmond, Benjamin H. (2)	175.00	180.31	2.71	8.00	175.02
Rollins, Fred P.	100.00	103.83	2.07	4.00	101.90
Scott, Charles H. (New)	100.00				100.00
Shaw, George B.	100.00	101.96	1.53	2.00	101.49
Shaw, Horace	100.00	103.32	2.07	3.00	102.39
Shelly Libeous	100.00	104.94	2.09	3.00	104.03
Smith, Almira	200.00	226.84	3.41	10.00	220.25
Smith, John Henry	100.00	103.25	3.12	2.00	104.37
Smith, Nathan	200.00	206.08	4.14	6.00	204.22
Smith, Nathan (2)	100.00	131.12	2.63	9.00	124.75
Sweet, Frederick M.	100.00	101.56	1.50	1.00	102.06
Sweet George B.	300.00	306.17	6.15	6.00	306.32
Sweet, Ival H.	100.00	102.79	2.05	2.50	102.34
Tinkham, Anthony-Arnold	150.00	152.58	2.26	2.50	152.34
Walker, Oren E.	100.00	103.02	3.12	2.00	104.14
Wetherell, C. S.-C. B.	200.00	205.73	4.12	5.00	204.85

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit January 1 1941	Interest Received	Expended Care of Lots	Balance January 1 1942
Wetherell, Frank	100.00	101.97	1.53	2.00	101.50
Wetherell, George	100.00	105.23	2.11	3.00	104.34
Wetherell and Kilburn	200.00	213.56	3.21	6.00	210.77
Wetherell, Lewis	100.00	103.23	2.07	3.00	102.30
Wetherell, Pliny	100.00	101.39	1.53	1.00	101.92
Wetherell, Stillman A.	100.00	101.93	1.53	2.00	101.46
Wheeler, Eliza W.	100.00	102.53	2.05	2.50	102.08
White, Sarah	100.00	103.74	1.55	2.00	103.29
Wilcox, Isaac	50.00	50.82	.76	1.00	50.58
Wild, George W. Jr.	100.00	103.07	2.07	3.00	102.14
Woodward, Herbert	100.00	102.31	2.05	2.00	102.36
Wrigley, James L.	100.00	103.61	2.07	3.00	102.68
Common Cemetery	750.00	779.51	23.61	25.00	778.12
Funds added in 1941		750.00			
Totals	\$16,000.00	\$16,812.98	\$ 309.16	\$ 436.36	\$16,685.78

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

CENTER CEMETERY

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit January 1 1941	Interest Received	Expended Care of Lots	Balance January 1 1942
Austin, Adelaide	\$ 100.00	\$ 102.35	\$ 1.54	\$ 2.00	\$ 101.89
Bean, Rev. Samuel	100.00	120.16	2.41	3.00	119.57
Blandin, Benjamin	50.00	51.63	1.03	1.50	51.16
Blandin, Jesse and Jesse	150.00	153.42	3.07	3.00	153.49
Blandin, William B.-Aurelia	100.00	114.49	2.87	2.50	114.86
Bosworth, Lucinda	100.00	114.89	3.47	2.50	115.86
Braman	250.00	498.62	10.01	25.00	483.63
Bruce, Charles S.	100.00	103.42	1.55	1.50	103.47
Busher, C. J. (New)	100.00	100.00	2.68	1.00	101.68
Carpenter, Danise	100.00	116.13	2.33	3.00	115.46
Carpenter, Ellen F.	200.00	239.98	4.81	6.00	238.79
Carpenter, T. P.-Mary V.	100.00	102.06	1.54	1.00	102.60
Carpenter, Thomas	100.00	106.18	3.21	2.00	107.39
Carver, Theodore C.	100.00	104.76	3.15	2.00	105.91
Clapp, C. Walter-Mary G.	100.00	103.72	2.07	2.50	103.29
Clapp, Charles G.	100.00	151.13	3.03		154.16
Cobb, Silas H.	100.00	117.37	2.94	3.00	117.31
Dean, Lewis B.	100.00	104.77	3.15	2.00	105.92

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit January 1 1941	Interest Received	Expended Care of Lots	Balance January 1 1942
Draper, Samuel A.	200.00	211.55	3.18	3.00	211.73
Fortune, Walker and Harriet	100.00	102.68	1.54	1.50	102.72
Gale and Sowden	100.00	101.24	2.03	1.00	102.27
Goff and Knox	100.00	105.94	2.11	3.00	105.05
Goff, Silas R.-Roxanna	100.00	101.78	1.53	1.00	102.31
Hagerty, Charles	100.00	103.62	1.55	2.00	103.17
Hodges and Field	200.00	234.18	3.52	4.00	233.70
Hodges, Royal P.	100.00	111.88	2.23	3.00	111.11
Holmes and King	100.00	105.50	1.59	2.00	105.09
Hunt, Calvin M.	50.00	51.82	1.55	2.00	51.37
Jenkins, Willard	100.00	105.42	3.18	2.00	106.60
Kaye, John	100.00	108.54	1.63	1.50	108.67
Lane, Gardner	50.00	51.81	1.03	1.00	51.84
Lewis, Calvin	100.00	103.91	3.12	2.00	105.03
Lincoln, Moses	100.00	105.43	2.11		107.54
Makepeace, D. P.	100.00	109.33	2.19	3.00	108.52
Makepeace, Lysander	100.00	102.91	1.54	1.50	102.95
Morse	75.00	91.39	2.76	3.00	91.15

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

Name of Fund	Fund of Amount	January 1 1941 On Deposit	Interest Received	Care of Lots Expended	January 1 1942 Balance
Mott, Rev. Herbert H.	100.00	106.17	1.58	1.50	106.25
Oldfield, C. T.	200.00	280.64	5.63	7.00	279.27
Raymond, Ward	100.00	102.46	2.05	1.00	103.51
Russell and Chadwick	100.00	104.30	1.57	1.50	104.37
Shook, G. S. (New)	100.00		.33		100.33
Skinner	100.00	106.51	3.21	3.00	106.72
Sweet, Benjamin	150.00	271.39	5.45	11.00	265.84
Sweet, Cordana	100.00	103.42	2.59	2.50	103.51
Sweet, Herbert	100.00	118.10	2.37	3.00	117.47
Ware, Edward Everett	100.00		.33		100.33
Willis, Loren B.	100.00	107.62	2.15	3.00	106.77
Wood, J. Stephen	100.00	105.61	2.11	3.00	104.72
Woodward, Harold S.	150.00	153.65	3.08	3.00	153.73
General Fund	100.00	195.13	5.91	53.44	147.60
Funds added in 1941					
Totals	\$ 5,525.00	\$ 6,469.01	\$ 131.61	\$ 192.94	\$ 6,407.68

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

BABBITT CEMETERY

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit January 1 1941	Interest Received	Expended Care of Lots	Balance January 1 1942
Francis	\$ 200.00	\$ 207.41	\$ 4.16	\$ 7.26	\$ 204.31
Francis, Lorenzo H.	100.00	102.13	1.54	2.00	101.67
Smith, Seth	75.00	75.40	1.12	1.00	75.52
Sumner and Knowles	100.00	103.01	2.07	6.00	99.08
Wilbur	100.00	103.08	2.07	6.00	99.15
Totals	\$ 575.00	\$ 591.03	\$ 10.96	\$ 22.26	\$ 579.73

TIMOTHY PLAIN CEMETERY

Copeland, John	\$ 100.00	\$ 106.61	\$ 2.13	\$ 2.00	\$ 106.74
Hayward, Betsy (1)	1,000.00	1,106.36	22.23	20.00	1,108.59
Hayward, Besty (2)	1,000.00	1,105.70	33.48	22.00	1,117.18
Leonard, Charles P.	100.00	103.06	1.54	1.00	103.60
Leonard, George H.	50.00	51.96	.77		52.73
Newcomb, Harriot A. (1)	1,000.00	1,088.07	21.86	18.00	1,091.93
Newcomb, Harriot A. (2)	1,000.00	1,156.27	23.23	18.36	1,161.14
Robertson, Berenice	100.00	103.35	1.55	1.00	103.90
Wood, Catharine L.	100.00	105.21	3.18	2.00	106.39
Wood, Elkanah	100.00	102.43	1.54	1.00	102.97
Totals	\$ 4,550.00	\$ 5,029.02	\$ 111.51	\$ 85.36	\$ 5,055.17

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

WOODWARD CEMETERY

Willis, Lewis H.	\$	150.00	\$	195.85	\$	3.92	\$	6.00	\$	193.77
Woodward, Cynthia		150.00		160.79		3.22		6.63		157.38
Totals	\$	300.00	\$	356.64	\$	7.14	\$	12.63	\$	351.15

CRANE CEMETERY

Crane, Calvin	\$	100.00	\$	106.13	\$	2.13	\$	3.00	\$	105.26
Leonard		100.00		103.41		1.55		2.00		102.96
Totals	\$	200.00	\$	209.54	\$	3.68	\$	5.00	\$	208.22

WHITE CEMETERY

White, Benjamin-Obera	\$	150.00	\$	254.68	\$	5.11	\$	10.47	\$	249.32...
Total	\$	150.00	\$	254.68	\$	5.11	\$	10.47	\$	249.32...

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

WINNECUNNET CEMETERY

Field, Lloyd A.	\$	100.00	\$	110.85	\$	1.66	\$	1.50	\$	111.01
Whole Lot		1,010.00		1,037.42		26.09		23.94		1,039.57
Totals,	\$	1,110.00	\$	1,148.27	\$	27.75	\$	25.44	\$	1,150.58...

GEORGE E. SMITH, Treasurer

NORTON COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

Vinton I. Reynolds, General Chairman

Co-operative Agencies:

Legion—Charles S. Randall; Red Cross, Mrs. Joseph W. Whitaker; Wheaton College, Ernest J. Knapton; Boy Scouts, Varney W. Mosher.

Women's Division—Rev. Hazel R. Gredler, Chairman; Miss Clara Coyle, Mrs. Louise G. Perry, Mrs. Charles Baker, Mrs. Robert Cort, Mrs. Arthur Richmond, Mrs. Frank Paris.

Planning and Publicity Divisions—Lewis S. Rubin, Chairman; Rev. James A. Downey, Rev. Hazel R. Gredler, Rev. David H. Talmage, Mrs. Edith R. Nason.

Protection Division—Stanley Wilkinson, Chairman; Stanley Wilkinson, Chief Air Raid Warden; G. J. Traviss, Precinct "A" Warden; Oscar Valquette, Precinct "B" Warden; W. V. Flaherty, Precinct "C" Warden; Auxiliary Firemen, Harold L. Wetherell; Auxiliary Police, Benjamin B. Scanlon; Demolition and Rescue Parties, Harold S. Woodward.

Medical Aid Division—Dr. Elmer W. Clarke, Chairman; Ambulance and First Aid Vehicles, Alton Foster, Philip Gavin, Laurence G. Nourse, L. G. Balfour, Norton Public Market, Ralph Lawrence, Mrs. Elmer W. Clarke; First Aid and Nursing Care—(R. N.) Mrs. Hugh Scott, Mrs. Barney Cabisius, Mrs. Varney Mosher, Mrs. Granville Robbins, Mrs. Wilfred Yelle, Mrs. Donald MacPherson, Mrs. George Pierce, Mrs. Arthur Freeman, Mrs. Harry Robbins, Mrs. Drusilla M. Foster. Boy Scouts—First Aid and Messenger Service, Joseph H. FitzGerald. Plumbing and Sanitation—Leo G. Yelle.

Health and Social Services Division—Howard F. Woodward, Chairman. Social Services—Mrs. Drusilla M. Foster, Chairman; Mrs. Eleanor Clapp, Mrs. Georgie Traviss, Mrs. Louise Fuller, Mrs. Helen Jackson, Mrs. Lucille Nourse, Mrs. Eleanor Wood, Mrs. Alice Illingworth, Mrs. Corinne Bottomley, Mrs. Grace Barratt, Mrs. Ora Andrews, Mrs. Helen Gavin. Health Commit-

tee—Dr. Jerome A. McCaffrey, Chairman; Carl Bottomley, Mrs. Helen Gavin, Mrs. Joseph Whitaker, Mrs. Wilfred Yelle, Charles E. Flaherty, Mrs. Drusilla M. Foster, Rev. Hazel R. Gredler, Miss Olive MacKinnon. man. Transport—Harold S. Woodward; Communica-

Services and Supplies Division—Thomas F. Manning, Chair-
tion—F. J. Dexheimer; Public Utilities—Charles S. Randall; Food—John B. Scott; Shelter—David F. Rocha; Fuel—Frederick E. Roach; Fuel Wood—Arthur C. Wood; Manufactured Goods—John B. Farrell.

Schools—Laurence G. Nourse.
Water Supply—Frederick H. Miller.
Evacuation Officer—Myron T. Briggs.
Blackout Officer—Leighton A. Foster.
Identification Officer—Laurence G. Nourse.

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October 8, 1941

Mr. Vinton I. Reynolds,
Chairman, Board of Selectmen
Chartley, Mass.

Dear Mr. Reynolds:—

I herewith enclose opinion rendered in the matter of the alleged resignation of a member of the School Board and of the attempted election of another inhabitant of the Town as member to fill the vacancy. I am sending a copy of this opinion of Mr. John B. Scott.

When a resignation of Mr. Kendall has been properly filed by him with the Town Clerk as provided by law, a vacancy would exist calling for further action on the part of the School Committee and of your Board, until then no vacancy exists and it would be unwise to approve bills for the payment of money based on the O. K. of the new alleged incumbent.

I also enclose herewith a carbon copy of my opinion which you may give to the School Board.

Very sincerely yours,

Swift & Swift,
By Warren A. Swift.

WAS-E.
Encl.

Note:—The School Committee held a meeting and appointed Prof. Ernest J. Knapton to this supposed vacancy. The School Committee did not wait for a call of the Selectmen to a joint meeting.

*REFORESTATION COMMITTEE

Gertrude C. Milliken,	Term expires 1942
Albert S. Lincoln,	“ “ 1943
Joseph W. Crowshaw,	“ “ 1944

* Through an oversight this committee was omitted from the list of town officers printed at the the beginning of this Report.

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Bristol, ss.

To Frank A. Clapp or either of the Constables of the Town
of Norton, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Norton to meet in the Town Hall in said Norton on Monday evening the second day of March, 1942, at eight o'clock, then and there to act on the following articles; and you are also hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of the said Town to meet in the Town Hall in said Norton, on Monday, March 9, 1942, at 12 o'clock noon, to elect one Selectman, one Assessor, one member of the Board of Water Commissioners, one member of the School Committee, one member of the Board of Public Welfare, each for a term of three years, and one member of the School Committee for the unexpired term of three years ending March, 1944, also a Town Clerk, a Treasurer, a Collector of Taxes, and one or more Constables, a Tree Warden, and a Moderator, all to serve one year. The Polls may be closed at 8 o'clock P. M.

Article 1. To choose all other town officers required by law, and not provided for on the ballot.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will vote to accept the report of the Town Officers.

Art. 3. To determine the salaries of the Town Officials for the ensuing year in accordance with Chapter 41, Sec. 108, General Laws, viz.: Town Clerk, Treasurer, Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Assessors, Collector of Taxes, Moderator, Tree Warden, Constables, Water Commissioners and School Committee.

Art. 4. To raise and appropriate money to defray the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year.

(a) For repairs and improvements of roads.

(b) For repairs and improvements of bridges and railings and other necessary tools and equipments.

- (c) For the support of schools, school supplies, transportation, salary of the Superintendent, School Physician, Attendance Officers and Repairs.
- (d) For the maintenance and operating expenses of the Water Department.
- (e) For the support of the Public Library.
- (f) For Memorial Day Exercises.
- (g) For the care and repairs of the Common at the **Center.**
- (h) For the maintenance and running expenses of the Fire Department.
- (i) For payments of State and Military Aid.
- (j) For payment of Soldiers' Relief.
- (k) For Public Welfare and Aid to Dependent Children.
- (l) For the expense of the Board of Health.
- (m) For payment of Town Debt.
- (n) For interest on Town Debt and Temporary Loans.
- (o) For the expense and Prevention of Forest Fires.
- (p) For the expense of the Police Department.
- (q) For the expense of the Tree Warden.
- (r) For the expense of the Town Hall.
- (s) For registration and election expenses, including salaries.
- (t) For General Government including salaries and expenses of the following Town officers: Town Clerk, Treasurer, Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Assessors, Collector of Taxes, Accountant, and Moderator.
- (u) For an appropriation in pursuance of Chapter 436, Acts of 1936 (Old Age Assistance Law).
- (v) For the expense of the Sealer of Weights and Measures.
- (w) For the printing and delivering of the Annual Town Reports.
- (x) For insurance of Public Buildings, Compensation Insurance and insurance of all Town Trucks, including the Fire Trucks, in accordance with Chapter 403 of Acts of 1936.
- (y) For removal of snow.
- (z) For the salary of a nurse for work in the Public Schools for the current year.

Art. 5. To raise and appropriate money for the suppression of the gypsy and brown tail moths.

Art. 6. To raise and appropriate money for the Town's proportion of the annual maintenance of the Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital.

Art. 7. To see what action the Town will take to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in the Town and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Art. 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1942, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Art. 9. To raise and appropriate money for legal services.

Art. 10. To raise and appropriate money for street lighting.

Art. 11. To hear the report of the Committee on Reforestation, including repairs on the Town Farm, and take any action thereon.

Art. 12. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out the recommendations of the Reforestation Committee regarding reforestation.

Art. 13. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out the recommendation of the Reforestation Committee regarding repairs at the Town Farm, to be expended under the supervision of said committee.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize any Board of Town Officials to appoint any of their number to any other office and fix the compensation according to Chapter 41, Sec. 4A, General Laws.

Art. 15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for a reserve fund as authorized by Chapter 40 of the General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County,

or both, under Chapter 90 for the maintenance of Chapter 90 roads in Town, or take any action in relation thereto.

Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money, in addition to the balance remaining of the 1941 appropriation, to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, under Chapter 90 for the construction of a section of tarvia road on Eddy Street, or take any action in relation thereto.

Art. 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with the W. P. A. or any other Federal Allotments.

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Machinery Equipment Fund for rate of 1942 subject to the General Laws.

Art. 20. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Machinery Equipment Fund to the Machinery Equipment Account for the purpose of repairing and operating road machinery.

Art. 21. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Machinery Equipment Fund for the purpose of purchasing the following equipment for the Highway Department: a New Truck; and a Bulldozer Blade with attachments for tractor, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 22. To see if the Town will vote the following By-Law: "There shall be a Defense Board of five members, appointed by the Selectmen. Vacancies shall be filled in like manner. One member shall be designated to act as chairman. The Defense Board shall have charge of the expenditures of all sums of money raised and appropriated by the Town for the purposes of the Committee on Public Safety, under the provisions of Chapter 487 of the Acts of 1941"; or take any other action relative thereto.

Art. 23. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used for the purposes of the Committee on Public Safety, under the provisions of Chapter 487 of the Acts of 1941; or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 24. To see if the Town will amend By-Law No. 3, by adding the words "by the Town Clerk"; so that the affected part of the By-Laws shall read: 'Voters shall be warned of any special meetings by the posting of Warrants

in the same manner and also by the mailing of post cards to the individual voters by the Town Clerk"; or take any other action relative thereto.

Art. 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a Resuscitator or similar device, or take any action relative thereto. (By request.)

Art. 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to erect a cement-block storehouse on Town property located on Main Street, for the purpose of storing water pipe, hydrants, fittings and other material belonging to the Water Department, or take any other action relative thereto. (By request of Water Commissioners.)

Art. 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase pictures of Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Hicks, now in possession of Mr. Frederick E. Smith, Dedham, Massachusetts, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Art. 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay for the labor of extending the water main on North Worcester Street for a distance of four thousand feet; using pipe already purchased for said purpose; or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay certain bills under Section 64 of Chapter 44, General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies of the body of the same at each of the public meeting houses and at least three other public places in said Town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Acting Moderator, at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this second day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-two.

VINTON I. REYNOLDS,

JOHN B. SCOTT,

JOHN G. ADAIR, (Acting),

Selectmen of Norton

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE



For the Year Ending December 31, 1941

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE TOWN OF NORTON FOR THE YEAR 1941

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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The Committee meets in the High School on the fourth
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ATTENDANCE OFFICER

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Employment and Educational Certificates are issued at the office of the Superintendent of Schools.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Elementary and High Schools:

First term opens September 4, 1941.

First term closes December 19, 1941.

Second term opens January 5, 1942.

Second term closes February 20, 1942.

Third term opens March 2, 1942.

Third term closes April 24, 1942.

Fourth term opens May 4, 1942.

Fourth term closes:

Elementary Schools—June 19, 1942.

High School—June 26, 1942.

SCHOOL SESSION

High School—8:00 a. m. to 1:05 p. m.

Elementary Schools—9:00 a. m. to 12:00 noon, and 1:00 p. m. to 3:00 p. m.

HOLIDAYS

October 13, October 24, November 11, November 20 and 21,
April 20, 1942.

NO SCHOOL SIGNALS

7:10 a. m.—Three double blasts of the whistles at the plants of Talbot Wool Combing Company, Defiance Manufacturing Company, and the sirens of the Norton Fire Department, signify no session for any school for the day.

7:45 a. m.—Same signal signifies no session in the elementary school for the day.

Signals will be given through radio station WEAN: 7:00 a. m. to 7:30 a. m.; and at 7:45 a. m. and at 8:15 a. m.

REPORT OF THE NORTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of Norton:

The School Staff

Six changes occurred in the teaching staff during the past year. Three of these were due to teachers entering the military service. Miss Virginia Prairio was transferred from the Barrowsville School to the Center School in September. Shortly after that she resigned to accept a position in the Winchester schools. This position was filled by Miss Eleanor Savaria who had been teaching in No. 8 School. Miss Savaria holds her Master's Degree in Education from Springfield College. Mr. Robert Jackson was called into military service in January. His position was filled by Mr. Clarence H. Salls, who is a graduate of Dartmouth College and has his Master's Degree from North Adams State Teachers' College. Mr. George F. Johnston entered the military service. His position at present is filled by Miss Mary E. Larkin who graduated from the State Teachers' College at Bridgewater. Mr. Henri A. Yelle entered military service. His position as principal of the Sturdy School was filled by transfer of Miss Lucille Clapp to that position as acting principal. Miss Dorothy Russell a graduate of our own High School and a recent graduate of State Teachers' College at Bridgewater, became, in September, teacher of the Primary room in Barrowsville School. Miss Madeline Shaw, teacher of the first grade in the Center School, resigned at the end of last year to be married. A new member of the staff is Miss Eleanor McLaughlin, who was placed in charge of the No. 8 School. Miss McLaughlin is a graduate of the State Teachers' College at Bridgewater. In September Miss Anna L. Hey, French teacher in the High School for several years, resigned to accept a position in the Winthrop schools. Miss Helen Roche, a graduate of Boston University, was elected to fill this position. Miss Roche also holds her Master's Degree from Boston University, with advanced training in the

teaching of French. A new teacher in the Center School is Mrs. Charlotte S. Harnden, who is a graduate of Framingham Teachers' College. She has taught in the schools of Foxboro and Malden, Massachusetts.

The School Committee recognizes the need for military service on the part of its teachers and will put in substitute positions those filling these vacancies during the emergency. New School Bus Route.

A careful study of the need for transportation of pupils to the Barrowsville School was made. This revealed that there were pupils walking over two miles to this school, or in some cases leaving their homes by seven o'clock in the morning in order to ride in the High School bus to their school, which does not start its session until nine o'clock. This seemed a severe hardship. Several children were found walking over a mile and a half in certain sections. After consultation with Mr. Herbert H. Honey, who operates the bus in the Barrowsville section, it was found possible to include a new bus route which would furnish transportation for pupils to the Barrowsville School, between his first trip for the High School students and his second trip for pupils on Taunton avenue to the Center School. The Committee decided to furnish this bus route for January, February, and March, the season of the most difficult walking conditions, and if funds are made available, this plan will be continued.

Air Raid Precautions

The School Committee has authorized the School Staff to take all possible means for meeting this emergency. The co-operation of the Town Air Raid Wardens and the Town Officials in furnishing special equipment for this purpose is gratefully acknowledged. Buckets of sand, shovels, stirrup pumps, pails, hose and similar equipment have been furnished. The school staff are carrying on air raid drills, and following the suggestions of the Civilian Air Defense, are constantly improving these plans in accordance with the latest information from official sources.

High School

The new work in the High School in homemaking has

the full interest and support of the School Committee. It is our hope and intention to enlarge this work as outlined in the Superintendent's report. Serious thought should be given to the points recommended for enlarged vocational education as suggested in this report.

Repairs

The major item on repairs during the past year was the completion of the installation of the asbestos side shingles on the High School building. This was started in 1940. With the completion of this work and the painting of the rest of the outside of the building, the High School gives a very much improved appearance to the center of the town. The basement of the Sturdy School has had substantial repairs during the past year. One room of the High School has been put in excellent shape for the use of the Homemaking class. In a number of class rooms there is need for furniture replacements. The walls and ceilings of several class rooms and the basement of the High School are in very poor condition and need attention during the summer vacation.

School Finance

We wish earnestly to call attention to certain outstanding items in the following tables of financial statistics which are presented with the 1942 budget. The increase in teachers' salaries is mainly due to the inauguration of an additional teacher in the high school for the homemaking classes. In transportation there is an increase of \$120.00 for the new bus route for the Barrowsville school. The need for this is outlined in the superintendent's report.

For the last three years there has been an average saving each year of over \$200.00 in the fuel account but with the increase in the fuel cost at the present time of approximately \$1.50 a ton and also with the probability of further increase the estimate for 1942 has had to be enlarged over that of the past year.

Nearly all publishers of textbooks have increased their prices by at least 10 per cent. School paper supplies have increased in many cases by 25 per cent. to 35 per cent. Our budget increase this year is, therefore, estimated at 15 per cent.

In new equipment the normal requirements are estimated for 1942 at \$366.00. To this is added \$524.00 for the necessary equipment for the homemaking class in the high school in order to enable the school to give instruction in cooking.

Last year there was a decided increase in tuition due to the large number of boys attending the Attleboro Jewelry School to receive instruction in tool making which is so much desired by the government in the defense industries. This demand continues.

One hundred ten dollars less than last year is estimated under Repairs and Janitors' Supplies for 1942.

An increase of \$100.00 over the regular items is estimated to cover the tuition of a Norton resident at a state trade school as required by court action.

The detailed statistics and budget follow.

TABLE I

Total Expenditures per Pupil for Support of all Public Schools—Data from State Department of Education

Annual Report for	Norton	State Average of Group III Towns
1941	\$86.36	\$98.88
1940	87.52	97.27
1939	87.99	95.48
1938	85.81	94.45
1937	81.78	91.23
1936	83.65	89.66
1935	77.21	87.64
1934	74.12	85.34
1933	72.44	90.58
1932	80.85	97.14
1931	83.34	98.18
1930	84.62	97.40
1929	86.06	94.60
1928	81.67	92.34

1927	83.44	90.74
1926	79.76	88.78
1925	84.65	85.39
1924	81.64	82.79

Actual expenditure was \$12.52 per pupil less than the State average for the same size towns in 1941. In last year's budget report Norton was \$9.75 below the state average. Thus Norton's actual expenditure per pupil continues to go down and the state average to go up.—From the State Department of Education report for above years, item number 47B.

TABLE II
NET EXPENDITURE PER PUPIL FROM LOCAL TAXATION
(Deducting the amount paid by State reimbursements)

	1933	1935	1937	1938	1939	1940	1941
Norton	\$51.03	\$53.55	\$57.48	\$59.24	\$61.18	\$62.00	\$59.50
Foxboro	67.48	58.40	66.08	73.64	76.77	79.46	80.45
Easton	67.82	60.92	55.31	58.09	60.52	64.56	63.85
Mansfield	67.22	59.67	69.61	69.69	74.72	77.21	83.95
Taunton	65.69	65.86	71.40	73.43	74.06	74.54	80.16
Attleboro	68.03	60.82	74.91	74.16	76.34	77.75	81.35
Wrentham	72.64	61.43	76.09	74.20	77.70	81.22	90.58
Walpole	78.69	81.55	83.40	107.97	92.01	100.08	96.62
Sharon	98.45	88.12	81.57	99.24	100.71	97.90	95.01
Bridgewater	64.06	67.49	71.87	72.17	74.92	79.16	85.16
Dighton	80.62	67.36	72.02	77.98	73.75	77.83	89.19
Fall River	63.92	55.34	64.49	68.75	69.42	73.57	82.81
State Average Group III Towns.....	\$70.11	\$66.45	\$70.65	\$73.00	\$74.02	\$74.44	\$76.14

Norton in the last five years, as shown above, spent the **least** of any of these towns with one exception. This table shows the **local** effort for support of schools. Norton's expenditure is \$16.64 below the state average. Thus Norton would have to have spent in 1940 \$8,353.28 more to be up to the average for our school population.—From the State Department of Education report for above years, item number 39.

TABLE III

STATE REIMBURSEMENTS FOR TEACHERS' SALARIES
AND TUITION

1922	\$ 8,185.92	1931	\$11,825.10
1923	8,510.74	1932	12,249.14
1924	9,055.21	1933	13,693.49
1925	8,137.86	1934	13,322.19
1926	4,916.70	1935	13,061.80
1927	9,443.47	1936	12,633.41
1928	10,569.72	1937	13,103.62
1929	11,342.94	1938	12,994.62
1930	11,887.47	1939	12,667.15
	1940		\$13,520.79

1941

School Fund, Part II,	\$ 6,190.68
School Fund, Part I,	4,375.00
Tuition,	275.13
Salary of Supt.,	1,160.00
Trade School,	79.35
Tuition, Boston,	61.20
	\$12,141.36

The summary of the 1942 school budget follows:

	Budget 1942	Budget 1941	Expended (5 yrs. ago) 1937	Expended (10 yrs. ago) 1932	Expended (15 yrs. ago) 1927
General	\$ 455.00	\$ 455.00	\$ 462.24	\$ 353.85	\$ 444.61
Teachers' Salaries	26,275.00	25,605.00	23,788.96	24,409.59	24,839.97
Janitors' Salaries	3,344.00	3,344.00	3,341.00	3,494.00	3,310.00
Transportation	6,328.00	6,208.00	5,980.00	5,962.68	6,414.44
Fuel and Light	2,066.00	1,786.00	1,880.48	1,963.54	2,271.18
Books and Supplies	2,700.00	2,350.00	2,279.55	1,793.04	2,314.86
Superintendent, salary and School Union Travel	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00
Physician	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
New Equipment	890.00	315.00	376.72	153.63	253.74
Tuition	650.00	696.00	187.20	4.00	298.84
Repairs and Janitors' Supplies	1,810.00	1,920.00	1,254.98	696.46	1,067.84
Sundries	346.00	211.00	167.98	159.40	156.87
Totals	\$47,464.00	\$45,490.00	\$42,058.89	\$41,590.19	\$43,792.35

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR L. VALENTINE, Chairman
HELEN W. GAVIN, Secretary
ERNEST J. KNAPTON,

School Committee

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Norton School Committee:

I have the honor of submitting to you my eighteenth annual report as superintendent of schools and the forty-eighth in the series of reports.

Homemaking Class in High School

Last spring at the request of the school committee the State Department of Education, Division of Vocational Education, sent Miss Caroline H. Wilson, Supervisor in that department, to make a study of the school plant here and to make recommendations. This report follows:

“For the time being at least, because of the very limited facilities in the present cafeteria, and with little likelihood of being able to invest enough money to set up an adequate food laboratory, I would suggest that you not consider any units of instruction and actual food preparation. If the present janitor’s room adjoining the cafeteria could be cleaned, freshened with a coat of paint, adequately lighted and equipped, I believe this room could be converted into a satisfactory classroom in which several units of instruction in homemaking could be offered, such as clothing instruction, home nursing and first-aid, handicraft and many related subjects, such as nutrition, consumer buying, home management problems, family relationships and child care.

If it is not possible to put this particular room in condition prior to September, 1941, I would suggest that your present art room be used more extensively, with the addition of sewing machines and possibly a few portable tables and chairs. Handicraft and several of the other units might be undertaken in this room. Possibly by some program adjustment, the art classes could be re-scheduled, making it possible to free the room for several periods daily for the purpose of giving Home Economics instruction. If it is impossible to finance a teacher in the fall, I would suggest that you investigate the possibility of securing some co-operation from your local Red Cross Chapter. It would be very timely if you could organize the Red Cross home nursing and first-aid units for at least the senior girls in your high school. In many communities the local Red Cross are loaning equipment for such a course, and are contributing the services of qualified instructors."

Funds were taken from other items of this year's budget to enable the start of one class in September. The art room was made available for this class. The old furnace room next to the lunch room has now been cleaned, painted, new ceiling installed, and well lighted so that now it is the most attractive and best lighted room in the building. It can be used for the present class as soon as furniture is available in the 1942 budget. At present only sewing and the general type of homemaking instruction can be given. Under recommendations and in the 1942 budget, items are entered to prepare for a full time teacher in this field. Under new equipment \$524.00 is requested for equipment for instruction in cooking. Three regular double period classes will be offered in September, 1942, if this budget is approved. We are fortunate in having already in our system Mrs. Harnden, who has had full training for this work and also teaching experience in it. It was impossible to secure an instructor from the Red Cross and this work in home nursing was carried on by Mrs. Foster, the school nurse. She will later give a series of lessons in First Aid. The following outline of the work done in this class during the fall term shows that the suggestions of the state supervisor have been well carried out by Mrs. Harnden.

Homemaking Course for Juniors and Seniors

September and October

- I How to use and care for sewing machine.
- II Fundamental hand stitches taught in combination with sewing machine on a simple garment (Peasant skirt.)
- III Fall Clothes Selection
 - (a) Shoes.
Study of feet, types of shoes, care, suitability.
 - (b) Outer garments.
Suitability of design and color, budget planning.
 - (c) Construction of textiles.
- IV Advertising (good and bad).

November

- I Altering a garment already made which had become out of fashion or ill fitting.
- II Care of Clothing
 - (a) Storage.
 - (b) Blocking knitted skirts and sweaters.
 - (c) How to home launder rayons, cottons, woolens and silks.
 - (d) Study of soaps, soap powders and flakes.
- III Remodeling or replacing room accessories.
 - (a) Class made new curtains for Art Room.
 - (b) Class made new chair covers for teacher's room.
 - (c) Shopping tour for fabrics at Fine's Store in Attleboro.

December

- I How to live every day with people
 - (a) Everyday contact with people.
 - (b) Child training (correlated with Home Nursing).
- II Knitting
- III Crocheting
- IV Making inexpensive Christmas gifts.
(Decorating jars and cans for storage of food).
- V Christmas Decorations

- (a) Door, window, table, place cards.
- VI Red Cross
 - (a) Bandages.

Surplus Commodities

Surplus commodities are now available in all the Norton Schools. In the High School and Center School where the equipment allows, a complete lunch, through the use of these Government commodities, is now possible for the same price that was in the past charged for a small lunch. Detailed information on this lunch room will be found in the report of the High School Principal. In the three elementary schools this lunch is not possible because of the lack of equipment and a person to prepare it. The teachers, with the help of the older pupils, can make some of these surplus commodities available. Fresh fruits and canned and dried fruits, canned vegetables and fruit juices are available to all children staying for the noon hour. From the voluntary contributions some supplies are being purchased so a hot drink will be available during the winter months. The response on the part of the pupils has been very gratifying. Better health will be in evidence. This result has been secured in other schools where these things have been made available. In most towns and cities in Bristol County this plan has been started in one or more schools. 960 schools in Massachusetts are participating in it.

Teachers in Military Service

Teachers' part in national defense was stressed in last year's report but it came in a new form when in January, 1941, members of our staff entered military service. Mr. Robert C. Jackson, principal of the Barrowsville School, became a second lieutenant in the artillery at Camp Edwards. Mr. George F. Johnston, teacher of the 4th and 5th grades in the Center School, entered the same camp. Both had been members of the national guard. In September, Mr. Henri A. Yelle, principal of the Sturdy School, was called into the army, as a first lieutenant. He had held for some time his commission in the army reserve and so received a call to active duty. The School Committee voted a leave of absence for all teachers who enter military service. All appointments

made because of these changes are on a substitute basis. Norton may well be proud of its teachers and the many graduates of its schools who have responded to the country's call to military duty.

Civilian Defense

The School Committee has made the High School available for meetings of any committees or groups carrying on work for Civilian Defense, and classes for Air Raid Wardens and Red Cross first aid work have been held in the High School. Several teachers have taken active part in these and other town activities in connection with Civilian Defense. In December a meeting of the Superintendent and the Air Raid Wardens, Mr. Stanley Wilkinson, chairman, was held to discuss the best means for carrying on the school responsibilities in case of air raids. Special materials and equipment for such an emergency have been secured by Mr. Wilkinson's committee for use in the schools. This committee recommended the carrying out of the Federal regulations in the operation of schools in such an emergency and air raid refuge centers were arranged in each school. Necessary changes for this purpose are being now carried out in the school buildings. Fire drills have always been held at regular intervals in all school buildings. Similar and more frequent air raid drills are being organized in each school. The schools will meet any such emergency as far as their equipment allows.

Guidance

In September, 1937, the first assignment of a High School teacher to have special responsibility for carrying on vocational guidance in the High School was started. In one special period for this work, in after school consultations, and by making every opportunity in the regular classes, this work has been carried on. Each year additional material has been secured to increase the effectiveness and to keep the information up-to-date. Four magazines with special material in the field of guidance are available in the High School Library. Catalogs and information from a large number of colleges and institutions for additional training are

on file. Seventy-five reference textbooks in this field are available for the teachers and pupils in addition to the regular textbooks. Reports on occupational conditions for nearly every known occupation are also in the school library. All this material is available at the High School for use by any parents in discussing future plans for further educational experience or information about business and industrial opportunities. The following quotation from the report of Mr. W. C. Morrison states very clearly the objective of this work and the methods which he has carried on in the past year for reaching this goal.

“In all of my courses this year I have endeavored to relate the work engaged in to the future vocational goal of the pupils. When a pupil realizes that what he does in school has a definite and important bearing upon that which he wants to do outside of school, his life tends to become more purposeful. Immediate aims and desires take on significance, and the pupil consciously begins to desire a satisfactory adjustment. It is evident, then, that the pupil needs to know something about himself.

“The two upper classes, therefore, began the year by writing a vocational autobiography. They mentioned their interests in general, and their vocational interests. They included work experiences which they had had, either with or without pay, and commented upon how they enjoyed these. They told what their hobbies were, or what they had done that they enjoyed doing. Finally, they stated what their vocational aims were, or were encouraged to say freely that they were undecided if that was the case. By means of this paper, their attention was directed toward their own interests and abilities. Similar methods were used with the other classes. The freshmen wrote papers on what they best liked to do; and the sophomores, studying occupations under the economics course, explored their own interests and abilities quite systematically according to methods set forth in the text.

“I have endeavored to have my classes discover this year that they themselves must function in order

to make their education a success. That this is important, I have let them see the correlation between school success and success after school. Here, again, the sophomores have been able to learn this more directly in their occupations study. But in group discussions or individual conferences the matter has been brought out. And in so doing, the pupils have been encouraged to see that their activities in school are an integral part of their life patterns. Perhaps the seniors had it more happily expressed for them when we found the full meaning of Wordworth's line 'The child is father of the man.' "

The School's Part in the Defense of Democracy

The earliest school laws set forth as one of the main objectives of public schools, instruction of the youth in citizenship. Many schools have carried on various forms of school activities to furnish training in citizenship in addition to the formal instruction in the history of our country and in our form of government. Some of these activities have been school forums, civic leagues, pupil patrols and student government. In much of this instruction and in these activities the emphasis has been on training the pupil as a citizen with much emphasis on his personal rights as a citizen and too little emphasis on his obligations. For the past two years our schools have along with many public schools, used the term "democracy" in this field of instruction. The emphasis now is on the individuals relation to the whole group, whether local, state or national. The group responsibility and the co-operative nature of the individual's relation to the group must be stressed. This can be done in the present activities and relationships of the student. The characteristics of democratic procedure must be learned in present school activities if later they are to be a part of adult activities. Last year's annual school report placed great emphasis on the teaching of democracy. A large part of the report was given to this topic. Concrete examples of activities and procedures of each school were shown. Also, the recommendations of the National Educational Association for the teaching of democracy with their ten suggestions for this purpose were listed. Each teacher is conscious of these objectives and working towards this goal. This work has been continued during the past year and enlarged wherever possible.

The topic of the Norton Grammar School graduation was "Democracy in the Norton Schools". The opening statement was "Our schools are the laboratories of democratic living. Here boys and girls learn through practice the lessons of group deliberation, personal responsibility, and action for the general good." The organization of this program was itself a good example of democratic procedure. The grammar school teachers and pupils were for the last half of the school year building up the items going into the final plan. It was carefully considered and tried out before being accepted for the final program. Teachers and pupils worked co-operatively in this enterprise. The complete program is given later in this report.

The Norton High School graduation took the form of a forum on the topic "Democracy". Six members of the graduating class were selected to lead this forum. They spoke on various aspects of democracy which they had experienced in the Norton schools.

The June reports of the grammar school principals gave further examples of the teaching of democracy. A few quotations follow.

Center School. Miss Loretta M. McHugh, Principal:

Individual. Murals: Each pupil in the room was allowed to choose his subject, tempera, and size. These murals were started in September and finished for the annual exhibition in May. This subject was most successfully and thoroughly enjoyed by each one who did it. Murals of this kind always make a fine display and both members of the grade and other children in school became inspired to do good work in art.

One Act Plays. This is the first time two one-act plays have been attempted by an eighth grade. The class was encouraged by the receipts of the senior play and decided to do likewise. The plays were selected and the parts were tried out early in February. Rehearsals were scheduled for twice a week until the final week. The surprising part of this venture was the continued interest and determined effort to make these a success. The plays were very successful and were received especially well. The proceeds were \$53.85.

Trips:

1. Boston trip was taken June 3 and included the Airport, State House where class met the Governor; climbed

Bunker Hill, visited the Herald-Traveler building, and heard a broadcast at WEEI.

2. Provincetown trip enjoyed Friday, June 13. This was very good, and the class liked this better than any previous trip taken.

Sturdy School, Henry A. Yelle, Principal.

"I think the project of most worth in my grades this year was our newspaper, 'The Sturdy Oak News'. In January, 1941, I suggested to the class that we have a newspaper. The idea was received with pleasure by all in both classes. A democratic procedure was used in the entire handling of the paper. The pupils were urged to choose as leaders those capable of writing and of getting the co-operation of the class. They did this and the most capable in the class were chosen. Every week from January to June a newspaper of four pages was published. News was collected from the other grades, special columns were written, a cartoon was drawn, and an editorial was written each week. The important part of all this to me is that my part in the paper was so small. Here was a project operated almost alone by these seventh and eighth grade pupils. I am sure that it increased the entire class's dependability and co-operative spirit and will give them a good start toward doing good work in high school."

Sturdy School. Miss Lucille Clapp, Acting Principal since September, 1941.

"In September, 1941, a school patrol system was inaugurated with a set of patrol officers being elected from grades seven and eight. These pupils have charge of lines forming in the halls and basements and passing from one place to another during school time. They have tried to keep other students conscious of keeping the school grounds clean, and they have assisted with the work connected with the serving of lunches."

Barrowsville School. Herbert Salls, Acting Principal.

"The one thing I have tried to do at Barrowsville is to create a better spirit of co-operation among the students. When I first went there, certain students would refuse to participate in a game of any kind unless they felt sure, in

their own minds, that they were going to be on the winning side. No one wanted to be on the losing side. In basketball the losing team was apt to walk off the floor half way through the game, due to the influence of one or two perpetual "whiners". If the school team played an outside team and won, the score was sure to be emblazoned in large letters on the blackboard the following morning. If it lost—nothing appeared there. I naturally commented on this and in school practice games purposely made sure that my side lost and that the score was posted. Shortly after that the scores for outside games started going on the board regardless of results. When the eighth grade ran a card party this past spring, the rest of the pupils in the room offered to help, instead of ridiculing the idea. When any kind of a contest is held in the room now, Language, Arithmetic, etc., the children are eager to participate."

The work in the field of the teaching of democracy was not confined merely to that of the principals. A few quotations from the work of teachers both in the elementary and high schools follows:

High School: "At this time when there is a serious decline in interest for France and French people, it is of the utmost importance to make the students revive that interest and by a study of the language and customs of that country, to promote a better understanding between ourselves and France. A real interest in the causes for the fall of that great nation may inspire our young people to profit by those mistakes. Therefore, I consider such a program as ours of greatest importance in the high school course."

"Investigations in science classes by pupils to show the sources of their foods, were made. How our lives are bettered, why we are able to do more and better things, how our health is being improved, etc. The children were amazed at the relationship of science with their own welfare."

"Aims in Teaching Safety:

- "1. To make children 'safety' conscious in (1) school (2) playground, (3) street, (4) homes.
- "2. To learn definite safety rules.
- "3. To teach responsibility by making the older children watch out for little children.

"4. To make the teaching have a 'carry over' value to home and community."

"During the year 1940-1941 every opportunity has been used to train the children to be worthwhile citizens of to-day and to-morrow. This was accomplished through, (1) conversation periods, (2) art lessons, (3) music lessons, (4) general class room management. The purpose of government, history of our flag, Flag Salute, what our country does for us, what we must do for our country, ways in which we can be better members of our classroom and school—were topics studied together."

The National Convention of Superintendents of Schools this year recognized the importance of the school's part in the defense of democracy by making this subject the general theme of its annual meeting.

"The tragic march of recent world events has set for the nation its great task to make the nation strong. If the nation is to become progressively stronger in any lasting sense, American education must: (1) contribute effectively and immediately to the vocational effectiveness of the present and future workers of the nation, (2) develop a moral and spiritual preparedness capable of facing unflinchingly the difficulties ahead, and (3) create a citizenship that understands not only the basic concepts underlying democracy but also the method of implementing the actual functioning of a government of free men."

The annual yearbook was devoted to "Education for Family Life." This set forth the spiritual value of home life, the importance of home and school relationships and the family as the defender of American democracy. In the study of American Democracy the following suggestions were made: (1) Develop the habit of getting facts, recognize propaganda and reserve judgment. (2) There has been over-emphasis on the failures and the big problems of democracy. (3) There is need for noting the challenge and the progress and achievements of the past under our democracy. Emphasis should be placed on the fact that each student in school and each citizen has a stake in the success of democracy.

Achievement Tests

The Iowa Every-pupil Tests of Basic Skills were given

during the past year to all pupils in grades three to eight. This series is one of the most recent and widely accepted tests because it has been found by careful experimentation valid in the results achieved. The important result in a testing program is not to secure a mass of figures but to interpret the results for each individual child in the way best to correct his personal weaknesses in the various subjects. A chart of the standards in each test with the results secured was made. This chart will be added to in successive years and will show at a glance the progress at regular intervals. The reading tests included, (1) reading comprehension; (2) reading vocabulary; (3) work study skills—(a) map reading, (b) use of dictionary, (c) use of index, (d) use of references, (e) graphs; (4) language skills—(a) punctuation, (b) capitalization, (c) usage, (d) spelling, (e) sentence sense; (5) arithmetic skills—(a) fundamental knowledge, (b) fundamental operations, (c) problems. The same plan as reported in past years has been carried out for the testing in several subjects in the high school and elementary schools.

Recommendations

1. Increase the classes in Homemaking and add Cooking in the High School. This report has given data on the introductory work by one class in Homemaking. The results have justified enlarging the instruction to include advanced work in Homemaking and a class in Cooking. The 1942 school budget, as recommended by the School Committee, furnishes equipment for this purpose.

2. Offer manual training to boys in the High School. One of the recommendations of the National Education Association was the increase in the vocational education of the future workers of the nation. A small beginning in this field should be offered to the boys in the High School. The response of the girls to a vocational class promises success in this field also. There is no possibility of carrying on this instruction in the present building. Every available space, even in the basement, is being used at the present time. The possibility of carrying on this work outside of the school building, or in connection with recommendations, No. 3 should be considered.

3. An addition to the present High School building is essential. The High School Principal's report gives further information on this subject. Since a new High School Building was not voted and substantial repairs have been made to the present building, the most feasible way of taking care of the needs of the school is by means of an addition. A small addition to one wing would furnish an additional class room for the High School, an additional grade class room, and a basement room which might be used in carrying on work recommended under No. 2.

4. Elimination of No. 8 School. This is the only rural school remaining in Norton. There are five grades in this school. Better grading would be accomplished through having these pupils in the Center School. The transfer of this teacher to the Center School would allow her to handle a class of thirty-five students instead of a class of twelve. This would give six teachers for eight grades, and thus allow the first grade and the eighth grade to be taught in single grade rooms, rather than in double grades as at present. Thus both pupils in the No. 8 School and the Center School would have improved conditions for instruction. This plan would require the additional elementary school class room in the third recommendation.

Closing. The attached reports and statistics are an essential part of this report. They represent constant effort and interest on the part of those concerned.

To the members of the School Committee I wish to express my appreciation of your constant efforts and interest in the progress of the Norton schools.

Respectfully submitted,

LAURENCE G. NOURSE,

Superintendent

REPORT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

The Norton High School started a new school year on September 4, 1941, with 45 boys and 76 girls. Once more the student body and the teachers experienced the difficul-

ty of establishing proper working conditions. The taxpayers should ask a pupil about the poor study conditions in our study hall, while a class is being conducted at the front of the same room.

Change in Courses

The School Committee found it possible to start a new course, called Homemaking, at the beginning of this school year. This subject is elective and is presented to the girls of the Junior and Senior classes who are in the General Course.

There are ten girls enjoying the benefits of this new course. Mrs. Chester Harnden, a graduate of the Framingham State Teachers' College, is presenting a practical line of endeavor during four periods per week.

This course has had the assistance of Mrs. Drusilla Foster on Wednesday when home nursing and personal health have been taught. Mrs. Rowena Rice will instruct the girls on home decorations and furnishings. We plan to have other people instruct this class on Wednesdays during the remainder of the year.

The class has made new curtains for the teachers' room. The table and chairs in this room have been re-upholstered.

This homemaking class has been using the art room but will soon move into its new room, a renovated furnace room, where all class projects may be kept together.

A course in carpentry and manual training should be adopted for the boys in the general course. I believe some of our larger classes would thus become smaller.

Credit toward graduation is to be given in any of the courses named above.

The Building

The new heating system is functioning properly. We find a few rooms are slow to heat, which may be due to a slower return of the condensed steam.

The walls of two rooms in the high school and all of the basement should be repainted. The old hot air system caused much dirt to be deposited and simply washing these walls is not the proper solution of the problem.

This building is being continually used from the basement to the attic and it should present a pleasant appearance throughout to all who frequent this institution.

The voters could well consider giving us more room by building a wing onto the present building. Our future Norton citizens will be better prepared for life if we will present to them the things that they will need in the future while they are still in school. These boys and girls will be more contented and will be more inclined to remain in school rather than to leave us when they become of legal age, to seek employment.

School Cafeteria

The government surplus commodities are now being used in our lunch room. This food is not sold but is given with each purchase, thus more food is obtained for a given amount of money. We haven't used this food long enough to discover whether or not there has been an increase in the sales. Below are three samples of the hotplate which is sold for ten cents:

No. 1.—Egg noodles with tomatoes, pickled beets, bread and butter, grapefruit sections, apple.

No. 2.—Baked beans, brown bread and butter, sauerkraut, apple.

No. 3.—Grapefruit juice, baked potato with butter, buttered meat loaf, buttered carrots, apple sauce.

Mrs. Chester Harnden is the hostess and she is giving the greatest amount of food for a **minimum cost**.

We still need more dishes, a **refrigerator**, **more space** and help. We hope to secure some assistance from the N. Y. A.

Athletics

Our baseball team won five games and lost five games last spring. We were limited in the number of players but the spirit of the boys made up the difference.

Two games of basketball were played last year with outside teams in order to discover whether or not the boys wished for another inter-school sport.

The experiment was successful and we are now to have a basketball team to carry the name of the Norton High School.

This is, I believe, the first official school basketball

team. Money is being collected to equip this team with suits and basket balls.

Mr. William Morrison is the coach and he has arranged for games with a few high school teams. All games will be played at the Norton Town Hall on Friday evenings. Practice will be held on certain afternoons.

Defense

All possible topics on defense will be taught in the Economic, General Science and U. S. History classes. The phases of money allotments, first aid and historical aspects will be studied respectively in the above named courses.

Visual Education

We are proud of the fact that we now have a sound projector. The Teachers' Club, Norton Parent-Teacher Association, the pupils and friends, made this machine possible.

This year a schedule for films is in operation, these films are being secured from the Boston University, division of Teaching Aids.

Our silent movie projector will be used when silent pictures become necessary.

Guidance

The results obtained from our testing program of last year are now being used. When personal interviews take place all testing results of the pupil are considered.

Annual consultations with pupils take place and the pupil's permanent record is completed.

Mr. William Morrison has charge of this work and he is taking special courses at Harvard in order to improve our guidance program.

Employment

During the past year many of our pupils have received employment through this bureau. Superintendent L. G. Nourse, Miss Helen Caffrey and myself may be informed of the needs and we will try to supply the proper employee.

We are trying to adjust our school to the needs of the

pupils. Standard tests are being used but at present we are trying a home-made set of questions.

Each graduate for the past two years has been asked the following questions: (1) What field of employment have you entered? (2) How did this high school help you to prepare for this employment and how might our high school present a better preparation? Answers will be tabulated and the results will be used in our pupil guidance.

Graduates of 1941

I am pleased to make a distribution of the members of the Class of 1941. The class presents a large percentage who are trying to better their future welfare.

One member is studying to become a teacher; one is studying art; two are studying at a college to become accountants; two members are attending a Liberal Arts college; two are employed during the day and attend school on certain evenings; one is in the navy and is studying to become an engineer; six are employed daily in the shops in Attleboro.

Assemblies

Many educational assemblies have been conducted during this past year. We have had movies, a speaker who spoke on "Business Opportunities and Aptitudes," and a speaker on the "Bill of Rights." The annual Memorial Day program was constructed and conducted by the Student Council. Superintendent Nourse spoke at an assembly on the proposed new course "Homemaking".

School Activities

The senior class presented its annual play "The Million Dollar Kid" in the Wheaton Gymnasium on December 23, 1941. Miss Helen Roche, assisted by Mrs. Jean Findlater, was in charge of this event.

The annual forum between the Plainville High School and this school was held. One presentation of the pupils' analyses of the given topic was made in each of the two towns before the respective Parent-Teacher Associations.

The Latin and French Clubs are active. These clubs presented a gift to their respective honor pupil at graduation.

We have been able to increase the number of honors which are presented at the graduation exercises. It is an added attraction to have members of the several organizations giving the honors, doing the presentation.

This school year has surely been one of progress and we sincerely thank the parents, the School Committee, the Superintendent, the teachers, friends and pupils, for their assistance and co-operation. I believe our school is now contributing more toward the pupils' welfare than ever before.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES S. RANDALL, Principal

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

Mr. Laurence G. Nourse,
Superintendent of Schools:

Following is my report for Music in the Norton Public Schools for the year ending December 31, 1941.

As my report last year stated the stressing of our patriotic music, naturally this year we have done the same, and will continue to carry on with the slogan, "Keep Singing, America," which means school children as well as adults.

We received our new music, "Merry Music," which we are using in Mrs. Greene's room. It is from "A Singing School" series, a textbook which may be said to exist entirely within the child's own world. The notation and type, illustrations, color, melodies and texts have been compiled with respect to its appeal to childhood.

I would like very much to have more of this same series for our schools. It contains music for all occasions, and the children love it.

Our music at both graduations was correlated with the theme used, for High School—Democracy, using “To Thee, O Country.” The Grammar School—patriotic using “America, My Wondrous Land,” and “God, Bless America.”

Education Week on November 13, the Center School presented a Patriotic Pageant. It was splendidly done and Miss McHugh deserves great credit for the amount of work she and the pupils put into it. The proceeds will buy us a portable electric player for records, to help in our music appreciation.

The High School chorus is doing good work and although not quite as large a group as usual, their effort and tonal qualities are good.

Mr. White is with us again this year, and while several are taking lessons, very few are ready for orchestra. We have but five instruments in our school orchestra, so I fear again this year we will be without orchestra help at graduation time. They are working hard but it is slow work for beginners.

We wish to thank Miss Helen Morgan, who gave us her piano. We are using it in Miss McHugh's room. It has been an incentive for some to want piano lessons. We are grateful, Miss Morgan.

We have several new teachers and changes this year. They are working hard so I know with such co-operation we shall continue to have good music.

Miss Clapp is doing splendid work at Sturdy. The boys are doing especially good work for that grade.

I thank the teachers, and you, Mr. Nourse, for making my work, my pleasure as well.

Respectfully submitted,

ALICE M. ILLINGWORTH

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING

Mr. Laurence G. Nourse,
Superintendent of Schools:

“Art is Utility Idealized” and made practical in our every day lives. It enables us to have a greater understand-

ing of the application of color and design principles to our clothing and homes.

During the past year the art work in the High School has been similar in principle to previous years with varied problems. New materials have been tried with much success, such as thin copper modelled for wall plaques, sculptured animals and figures from clay, then fired and glazed, carved leather belts, etc., more advanced life drawing, numerous five minute sketches in water color, pastel, pencil, and lithograph crayon. Screen printing was developed more successfully. Large murals correlating with history, English, and geography, were made in the High School and grades.

Attractive linoleum block prints and screen printed cards were made for Christmas and exhibited in local store windows.

The cover design for the school report was made by Jeanne Bottomley. Joe Fernandes gave generously of his time to the screen printing. The cover design for the commencement number of the High School paper was made by Jeanne Bottomley and screen printed by different members of the senior class.

The High School Art room, including the walls and wood work, has been painted by members of the art classes. The pupils showed a fine sense of enthusiasm in this project. Mrs. Harnden's group did an excellent job making the curtains.

The mechanical drawing classes continue to improve and have done excellent work as was shown in the exhibition in May.

In the grades the program has resembled past years with greater emphasis on originality correlation with other subjects and more skilled use of mediums such as crayon, colored paper and water color.

The animal poster contest was repeated at the request of the pupils in the upper grades.

Awards were given to the following pupils:
Sturdy School

Grade 6—Miriam Larson, first prize; Laura Gonsalves, second prize; John Drane, honorable mention.

Grade 7—Anna Mansi, first prize; Carl Bottomley, second prize.

Grade 8—Frances Whithead, honorable mention.
Center School

Grade 6—Carol Gavin, first prize.

Grade 7—Betty Perry, honorable mention.

Grade 8—Raymond Patenaude, first prize; Alice Miller, second prize; Elsie Taxcheria, honorable mention.

Barrowsville School

Grade 8—Semone Couchine, first prize; Donald Thibault, second prize; Rita Tondereau, honorable mention.

Miriam Larson's poster is reprinted on the 1942 poster contest circular of the S. P. C. A. which is distributed all over the state.

Again my gratitude to the Superintendent, Principals, and Teachers for their fine co-operation in the advancement of art.

Respectfully submitted,

ROWENA BROWN RICE,

Supervisor of Art

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Mr. Laurence G. Nourse,
Superintendent of Schools:

I take pleasure in submitting the following report.

Physical examinations have been given to every child in the four Norton schools, and all defects have been recorded. Notices have been sent home, in the hope that parents will take steps to have corrections made—such as having tonsils and adenoids removed when necessary, attention given to teeth, etc., when suggested. A few students presented heart lesions, and these people are under physician's care.

Our diphtheria prevention work is under way the same as in the past several years. It is gratifying to the Health

Department that so many school children, pre-school children and even babies are receiving the diphtheria prevention treatment.

X-ray examinations for childhood type of tuberculosis are to be taken soon by a doctor from the Bristol County Sanitarium. We are certain that through the efforts of this clinic a great deal of good is being done. A few cases of incipient tuberculosis have been found and are under treatment.

During the school several cases of measles, mumps and chicken-pox have been discovered and taken care of. Several play-ground accidents have occurred and have been treated at the schools or at my office.

The new plan for serving hot lunches at the various schools is proving to be of great benefit, and many students are taking advantage of it.

Our pre-school clinic has proved, again this year, to be of definite value in pointing out physical defects (such as enlarged or diseased tonsils) that exist in these children, so that corrections can be made before entering school in the fall.

In closing this report, I wish to express the gratitude of the Health Department to the teachers for their splendid co-operation in sending home children who have colds, skin diseases or any sign of illness, and then reporting the same, that we may prevent epidemics whenever possible.

Also, I wish to thank the janitors for efficient services; and very important, I wish to thank the parents for co-operating in sending their children who have been out of school for three or more days, to my office for examination and a health certificate. Because of this splendid co-operation, we feel we have these people to thank for the fact that there has been no serious spread of disease.

Very truly yours,

ELMER W. CLARKE, M.D.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Laurence G. Nourse,
Superintendent of Schools,
Norton, Mass.

Dear Mr. Nourse:

I herewith submit the annual report of the school nurse.

The Bristol County School Clinic for the detection and follow-up of tuberculosis was held in the Center School. Sixteen pupils and five adults were X-rayed. Ten were on our observation list from 1940; this group have no active tuberculosis but are checked yearly by the clinic through their school life to be sure they are keeping in good physical condition.

The Pre-School Examination was conducted two days. The purpose of this examination is to check all pupils, who are to enter school in the fall, for any physical defects. If defects are found the pupil is then referred to his family physician. It is hoped that the parent will have the defect corrected before the child enters school in the fall. Children need to be in good physical health to be able to attend school daily and to do their work satisfactorily. There were 38 listed to enter school in the fall. Nineteen were examined by the school physician and seven went to their family physician for the check-up.

The Diphtheria Prevention Treatment was given to 28 school children and to 16 pre-school children. This prevention treatment is given by the School Health Department to any child over six months of age. It is given in three inoculations one week apart and six months later the child is Schick tested to determine if the inoculations were successful. Occasionally a child does not react to the first series of treatments and should have a second treatment to insure him against diphtheria.

The proceeds from the Christmas Seals Sale pay for a girl and a boy to have one month each at the Bristol County Health Camp. A third child went over for two weeks' stay because of a vacancy at the camp. These children returned

home improved in physical health due to the regularity of camp life and the extra rest and relaxation they are taught while there. Your response to the sale of these seals is greatly appreciated by these children selected for camp.

Our Dental Clinic was again sponsored by the local Red Cross. At a previous meeting a group of parents from each school went over plans for the clinic. During the past few years the clinic has not been patronized as well as we expected by children who need dental care. This year we limited the clinic to the first four grades. One hundred and seventy-five were examined; ten were found to need no care; one hundred and sixty-five needed care; twenty-three were attending their own family dentist. Of the one hundred and forty-two left, fifty-four had work done at our clinic. Our figures show that last year only 25 per cent of the pupils took advantage of our clinic. By limiting it to a smaller group this year about 35 per cent were treated at the clinic. We chose this small age group to work with because of the importance of saving those first permanent teeth and to try to eliminate unnecessary extractions later in life.

The Audiometer was used to test the hearing of all the children. This test is given in a quiet classroom to about forty pupils at a time. We tested three hundred and seventy-two children and two adults. Eighteen were found who had some loss of hearing and a notice will be sent to the parents. We hope that every parent will take his child to an ear specialist for further testing and treatment.

In September we started a unit of health teaching in the schools. The units were worked out according to each grade by the classroom teacher. The subjects covered were: Sleep and Rest; Fresh Air and Sunshine; Nutrition. These were discussed between the beginning of the school term in September and December 19th. It is hoped by this course of study to aid each child to form and improve his daily health habits. The course of study was based on units taken from two sets of books on Health Education purchased for our work by the School Department and the District Nursing Association.

A ten weeks course on Home Nursing was given to a small class in High School. Later in the year a First Aid course will be given to this same group. This is the first year that a course of this kind has been offered to our High

School girls and their response to the course has been gratifying.

At a teachers' meeting, Miss Higgins of the State Department of Public Health, gave a talk on new First Aid Rules and Regulations that are being used in other schools nearby. A list of rules and regulations was drawn up by a committee, submitted to Dr. Clarke for his approval and approved and adopted by the School Committee. The school does not accept any responsibility for accidents that happen at home, but does give First Aid to those injured at school. A notice is sent home with the child in case of accident.

Epidemics have been few during the past year and in each case a careful check-up is made before a child returns to school from exclusion because of some contagious disease.

Our plans for 1942—to improve our present health program; to carry our first line of defense into every home where there are children, for better nutrition and health habits in order to carry on our fight against disease and loss of time due to illness. We must be ready to meet any emergency; let us start by improving the food habits of our families and correcting any defects that our children have at the present time.

In closing, I wish to thank Mr. Nourse, Dr. Clarke, principals and teachers, for their help and co-operation in carrying out our health program. I also thank the parents for their interest and co-operation in our work. Their suggestions and criticisms are vital to our health program.

Respectfully submitted,

DRUSILLA FOSTER, School Nurse

STATISTICS

Extracts from the School Census of October 1, 1941

	Males	Females	Total
Pupils between 7 and 16,	207	203	410
Pupils between 5 and 7,	34	36	70
	241	239	480

Sight and Hearing

Number of pupils examined,	497
“ “ pupils found defective in eyesight,	47
“ “ pupils found defective in hearing,	18
“ “ notices sent to parents,	65
“ “ employment certificates issued during year,	8
“ “ educational certificates issued during year,	168
“ “ days the elementary schools were in session,	178
“ “ days the high school was in session,	184

SCHOOL SAVINGS REPORT, DECEMBER 31, 1941

Amount in School Bank, January 1, 1941,	\$ 359.61	
Amount deposited, 1941,		946.49
Interest, 1941,		5.35
Amount withdrawn, 1941,	\$ 85.30	
Amount transferred, 1941,	819.00	
Balance in Bank, December, 1941,	407.15	
	\$1,311.45	\$1,311.45

DEPOSITED BY GRADES

Center—

Grades 7 and 8,	\$ 48.65
Grades 6 and 7,	142.99
Grades 4 and 5,	131.37
Grades 2 and 3,	75.77
Grades 1 and 2,	108.89

Barrowsville—

Grammar Grades,	29.96
Intermediate Grades,	22.49
Primary Grades,	19.73

Number 8, .50

Sturdy—

Grades 7 and 8,	187.11
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Grades 6 and 5,	85.26
Grades 4 and 3,	54.09
Grades 1 and 2,	40.48

\$946.49

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES S. RANDALL, Agent

THIRTY-FIFTH
GRADUATION OF THE NORTON HIGH SCHOOL

Wheaton College Gymnasium
Wednesday, June 18, 1941, at 8.00 P. M.

CLASS OF 1941

Processional,
Invocation,

Seniors

Rev. David H. Talmage

Pastor of Methodist Church, Chartley, Mass.

Address of Welcome,

Jeanne Cecile Bottomley

Song, "Serenade,"

Toselli-Treharue

School Chorus

Forum—"Democracy"

1. "Democracy in the Work Program,"

Joseph Edward Fernandes

2. "Student Government in the High School,"

Charles Rogers Gredler

3. "Democratic Values of Social and Vocational Experiences,"

Patricia Nourse

4. "Parliamentary Procedure in School Groups in the Norton High School,"

Mary Olive Camara

5. "Comparative Values of the Authoritarian School vs. the Democratic School,"

Opal Marian Hinton

6. "Preparation for Vocational Citizenship in the

Norton High School," Natalie Arline Alger
 Song, "To Thee, O Country!" Julius Eichberg

School Chorus

Presentation of the Washington and Franklin History
 Medal, Rev. Willard H. Roots, Mansfield, Mass.,
 Chaplain of the Massachusetts Society Sons of the
 American Revolution

Presentation of the English Prize Award,
 By the Norton Parent-Teachers' Association
 Mrs. Miriam Clarke, Vice-President

Presentation of the Wheaton Award,
 Miss Helen Camara, Wheaton College, '43

Announcement of Prizes, Charles S. Randall, Principal

Presentation of Diplomas,
 Mr. Arthur Valentine

Chairman of the Norton School Committee

Class Poem, Opal Marian Hinton
 Benediction, Rev. David H. Talmage
 Recessional

Officers

President, Jeanne Cecile Bottomley
 Vice-President, Mary Olive Camara
 Secretary, Charles Rogers Gredler
 Treasurer, Joseph Edward Fernandes

Graduates

Classical Course—Natalie Arline Alger, Mary Olive Camara, Jean Cecile Bottomley, Charles Rogers Gredler, Patricia Nourse.

General Course—Douglas Paul Goold, Robert Walter Hanson, Opal Marian Hinton, Robert Warren Layton.

Commercial Course—Edward Charles Boudreau, Elizabeth Caroyln Larson, Joseph Edward Fernandes, Ralph Albert Marden, Charlotte Mildred Goff, Joseph Frank Teixeira.

Colors,
 Motto,
 Fower,

Blue and White
 "Deeds, not Words"
 Gardenia

School Faculty

Mr. Charles S. Randall, Principal

Mr. William Morrison, Vice-Principal

Miss Helen Caffrey

Miss Anna Hey

Mrs. Jean Findlater

GRADUATION EXERCISES

Norton Grammar Schools

Wheaton College Gymnasium

Wednesday Evening, June 11, 1941, 8:15 P. M.

Processional,
Invocation,

Graduates singing, "On Our Way"

Rev. Hazel Rogers Gredler

Pastor of Unitarian Congregational Church, Norton

Salute to the Flag, All will take part

under the leadership of David Earle Gredler

Democracy in the Norton Schools

Original Scenes Produced by Pupils under direction of the
Teachers

In a democracy the primary purpose of all action is the welfare of each individual. In school, a democratic agency, learning the ways of democracy is the particular aim and responsibility of American education. Our schools are the laboratories of democratic living. Here boys and girls learn "through practice" the lessons of group deliberation, personal responsibility, and action for the general good.

As a report to you, the following dramatic efforts were created to show how democratic practices function in the Norton Schools.

Government and Leadership developed in each school.

Scene 1. Class Election

Scene 2. Class Meeting

Barrowsville School

Freedom and Control carried on in each school

Scene 1. Student Patrol

Scene 2. School Paper	Sturdy School
Democratic Services in the School	
Scene 1—Pupil-Teacher Work,	Center School
Scene 2. Lunch Room Assistance	Center School
The Eighth Grade assisted by the First Graders	
Americans All,	Finale, All Schools
"America, My Wondrous Land,"	Song
Poem, "Americans All",	Minna Irving
The Contributions of each race to make America great	
"I Am An American,"	Song
Presentation of Perfect Attendance Certificates	
Presentation of Honor Certificates	
Miss Loretta M. McHugh	
Assistant Principal Center School	
Presentation of American Legion School Awards	
Mr. Carl J. Bottomley, Commander	
Harold A. Healey Post 222, American Legion	
Presentation of the English Prizes,	
Awarded by Norton Parent-Teachers' Association	
Mrs. Miriam Clarke, Vice-President	
Presentation of Diplomas,	Mr. Laurence G. Nourse
	Superintendent of Schools
Benediction	
Rev. Richard B. Carleton	
Trinitarian Congregational Church, Norton, Mass.	
Recessional,	Graduates singing "On Our Way"
Music under the direction of Mrs. Alice M. Illingworth,	
Supervisor of Music. Program under the direction of Gram-	
mar School Principals. Accompanist, Dorothy Lincoln Smith.	

LIST OF GRADUATES

Center School	
Charles S. Randall, Principal	
Loretta McHugh, Assistant Principal	
Robert Warren Anderson	Arthur Edwin Henry
Howard Brooks Baker	Lois Audrey Hinton
William Alfred Baker	Marolyn Gertrude Farr
Eleanor Anne Bauza	Gertrude Emilie Lehr
Ella Marguerite Bennett	Alice Evelyn Miller
Miriam Alice Clarke	Herbert Daniel Mowry

Paul Irving Fillmore	Alfred Ratcliffe Nason
James Andrew Goff, Jr.	Phyllis Louise Parker
Mary Alice Gomes Rei	Raymond Nelson Patenaude
Edith Victoria Goyette	Thomas Arnold Ramsay
David Earle Gredler	Edward Truman Stark
Elenore Mary Haskins	Alexandrina Elsie Tacheria
Donald Russell Therrien	

Sturdy School

Henri A. Yelle, Principal

Norman Earle Briggs	Edward William Hyland
Florence Marion Corbett	Helen Elizabeth Jenks
Elwood Roy Davis	Katheen Jewett
Mary Irene Gagne	Hildreth F. Peaslee
Shirley Marion Gay	J. Allen Richmond
John Gonsalves	Homer Joseph Roy, Jr.
Mary Ann Gonsalves	Albert Oliver Santos
Frances Irene Whitehead	

Barrowsville School

C. Herbert Salls, Principal

Alfred J. Bellavance	Philip A. Leroux
Ernest E. Bellavance	Raymond Richard Radnor
Calvin H Hunt	Donald J. Thibeault
Mae Beatrice Leroux	Rita Cecile Tondreault

NAMES OF PUPILS RECEIVING CERTIFICATE FOR PERECT ATTENDANCE, JUNE, 1941

Center School

Grade 8—Eleanor Anne Bauza, Miriam Alice Clarke, Arthur Edwin Henry, Edward Truman Stark.

Grade 7—Betty Woodward.

Grade 6—Frank Delgado.

Grade 5—Natalie Woodward.

Grade 4—Thelma Haskell.

Grade 3—William Clarke, Frederick Scott.

Grade 2—Matilda DeGuiar.

Sturdy School

Grade 8—Homer Joseph Roy, Jr., Norman Earl Briggs.

Grade 7—Rita Lameureux, Lorne Brasier.
Grade 5—Ernest Lamoureux.
Grade 4—Dorothy Davis, Victor Lameureux.
Grade 2—Ernest Roy.

Barrowsville School

Grade 7—Charlotte Limpus.
Grade 6—Anita Roberge.
Grade 5—Therese Tremblay.

Number 8 School

Emily Briggs

Ernestine Briggs

High School

Walter Barrows, rJ.
Anna Mae Bellavance
Russell Briggs
Marguerite Bottomley
Avis Brasier
Henry Collins
Joseph Fernandes
Margaret Gonsalves
Ruth Haskell

Francis Lamoureux
Rita Lamothe
Hazel Lorson
James Newcomb
Donald Pike
Robert Hanson
Donald Schurman
Edward Sheehan
Alda Teixeira

MEMBERSHIP BY AGE AND GRADE, OCTOBER 1, 1941

—BOYS—

Age	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	Total
Grade 1	10	10	6	1														27
2		4	10	7	1													22
3			2	15	2	3		1										23
4				2	9	9	4	2										26
5					3	12	3	4	1	2								25
6						4	10	6	2	1	1							24
7							2	11	4	3	2							22
8								2	9	7	1							19
9									3	10	5	3		1				22
10										1	7	4	1					13
11												3						3
12													4	1				5
Total	10	14	18	25	28	28	19	26	19	24	16	10	5	2				231

MEMBERSHIP BY AGE AND GRADE, OCTOBER 1, 1941

—GIRLS—

Age	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	Total
Grade 1	8	14	3															25
2		9	9	3	2													23
3			7	7	4	4	1											23
4				3	12	3	3		1									22
5					8	6	3	1	1									19
6						5	18	6	4		1							34
7							4	7	3	2	1							17
8								6	12	3	1	2						24
9									3	8	5	2		1				19
10										3	14	5	1					23
11											1	11	8					20
12												2	5	6	1			14
Total	8	23	19	13	26	18	29	20	24	16	23	22	14	7	1			263

ATTENDANCE TABLE FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE, 1941

School		Aggregate Attendance	Average Daily Membership	Total Membership	Average Membership	Percent of Attendance	Number of Tardy Marks	Number of Dismissals
High	Boys	7,394.0	40.18	49	42.27	95.08	59	6
	Girls	12,328.0	67.00	72	70.42	90.54	68	36
Center	8	4,717.0	26.43	28	28.49	92.93	26	0
	6 & 7	6,585.5	36.89	39	39.23	94.01	15	7
	4 & 5	7,200.0	40.34	42	43.74	92.21	20	16
	2 & 3	5,946.0	33.31	38	35.67	93.38	15	2
	1 & 2	5,520.0	30.92	37	34.39	94.51	9	0
Sturdy	7 & 8	5,381.0	30.15	30	31.74	95.05	13	0
	5 & 6	6,689.5	37.48	40	38.71	95.35	10	0
	3 & 4	5,479.0	30.69	33	32.42	96.39	53	4
	1 & 2	5,529.5	30.98	34	33.00	93.88	3	0
Barrowsville	6 - 8	3,565.5	19.97	22	21.49	92.94	65	19
	3 - 5	3,372.5	18.89	21	20.20	93.81	7	0
	1 - 2	2,984.0	16.73	20	18.19	91.91	44	2
Number 8	1 - 5	2,674.0	14.98	13	16.16	92.73	22	0
		85,365.5	474.94	518	506.12	93.13	429	92

TEACHERS, JANUARY 1, 1941

School	Grade	Name	Date Ap- pointed	Where Educated
High	Principal	Charles S. Randall, B. S., Ed. M.	1921	Harvard University
				Middlebury College
	Asst. Principal	William C. Morrison, B. S.	1940	Middlebury College
				Harvard University
		Helen L. Roche, A. B., A. M.	1941	Boston University
Center Grammar		Jean M. Findlater, A. B.	1936	Wheaton College
		Helen J. Caffrey, B. S., Ed.	1917	Fitchburg State Teachers' College, Boston University
	8 & Asst. Prin.	Loretta McHugh, B. S., Ed.	1935	Bridgewater State Teacher's College
	6 - 7	Gertrude Woodward, B. S., Ed.	1940	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
	4 - 5	Mary E. Larkin, B. S. Ed.	1941	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
Sturdy	2 - 3	Mildred Greene	1924	Wheaton College
	1 - 2	Eleanor Savaria	1941	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
	7 - 8 Acting Prin.	Lucille Clapp, A. B.	1937	Wheaton College
	5 - 6	Mildred Wetherell	1921	Hyannis State Teachers' College
	3 - 4	Barbara Freeman, B. S. Ed.	1941	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
	1 - 2	Esther M. Bradstreet	1917	The Wheelock Kindergarten School

TEACHERS, JANUARY 1, 1941—Continued

School	Grade	Name	Date Appointed	Where Educated
Barrowsville	6 - 8 Acting Prin. 3 - 5	Clarence H. Salls, A. B.	1941	Dartmouth
		Margaret Crouse	1929	Lowell State Teachers' College
Number 8	1 - 2	Dorothy L. Russell, B. S. Ed.	1941	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
	1 - 5	Eleanor McLaughlin, B. S. Ed.	1941	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
	Drawing Music	Rowena B. Rice	1927	Worcester Art Museum
		Alice M. Illingworth	1913	N. E. Conservatory of Music
	Homemaking	Charlotte S. Harnden	1941	Framingham State Teachers' College
Members of the teaching force on leave of absence for military service		George F. Johnston, B. S. Ed.	1938	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
		Henri A. Yelle, B. S. Ed.	1935	University of Dayton
		Robert C. Jackson, B. S. Ed.	1937	Urbana Jr. College, Bridgewater State Teachers' College

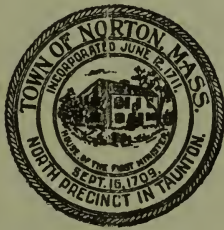
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COLLECTOR OF TAXES

George E. Smith

REFORESTATION COMMITTEE

Albert S. Lincoln,	Term expires 1943
Joseph W. Crowshaw,	“ “ 1944
Gertrude C. Milliken,	“ “ 1945

CONSTABLES

Wilfred W. Becker,	Carleton H. Draper
Stephen Benaski,	Benjamin B. Scanlon
Frank A. Clapp,	William R. Scott
Ralph F. Clapp,	William J. Tucker

MODERATOR

Vinton I. Reynolds

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Edward Gwilliam	William R. Scott
Frank A. Hatch	

CHIEF OF POLICE

Benjamin B. Scanlon

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Harold S. Woodward

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Oliver E. White

MOTH INSPECTOR

Bernard A. Cabisius

MILK INSPECTOR

W. Walter Becker

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS AND SLAUGHTERING

Alphee Pelletier

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

W. Walter Becker

FIRE ENGINEERS

Howard A. Foster

Hollis Rand

Arthur Ross

Harold Wetherell

Albert S. Lincoln

George Richmond

Bert Witherell

Oliver White

Harold S. Woodward

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Albert F. Woodward,

Homer L. Lane,

Elwin Nason,

Term expires 1943

" " 1944

" " 1945

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Terms expire 1943

Oscar Bellavance

Benedict J. Yelle

Philip A. Gavin

George E. Smith

Fred C. Roach

Terms expire 1944

John G. Adair

Lester M. Johnson

Lloyd T. Packer

Arthur Ross

Arthur T. Sturdy, Jr.

Terms expire 1945

Thomas F. Manning

Kenneth MacLeod

Clifford Reynolds

Henry I. Shaw

Albert F. Woodward

REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE OF OFFICIALS

ASSESSORS,	Town Hall
Second Monday of each month at 8:00 P. M.	
BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE,	Town Hall
First Monday and third Thursday of each month, 7:30 P. M.	
SCHOOL COMMITTEE,	High School
Last Monday of each month, 7:30 P. M.	
SELECTMEN,	Town Hall
First Monday and third Thursday of each month, 8:00 P. M.	
WATER COMMISSIONERS,	Town Hall
First Tuesday of each month, 7:30 P. M.	

SELECTMEN'S APPOINTMENTS

As Presented for Recording

Forest Warden,	Oliver E. White
Superintendent of Streets,	Harold S. Woodward
Chief of Police,	Benjamin B. Scanlon
Cemetery Commissioners,	Francis W. Hatch, William R. Scott, Edward Gwilliam
Moth Superintendent,	Bernard A. Cabisius
Dog Officer,	Benjamin B. Scanlon
Inspector of Animals,	Alphee Pelletier
Inspector of Slaughtering,	Alphee Pelletier
Public Weighers,	W. C. S. Wood, Arthur C. Wood, Cecil T. Bailey, Frederick E. Roach, Lewis J. Benson
Burial Agent,	Frank L. Ludovici
Registrar of Voters for Three Years,	Elwin Nason
Milk Inspector,	W. Walter Becker

Sealer of Weights and Measures, W. Walter Becker
Inspector of Petroleum Products, W. Walter Becker
Member of Reforestation Committee for Three Years,
Gertrude C. Milliken
Fence Viewers, Arthur E. Sweet, Benjamin B. Scanlon
Agent of Board of Health, Elmer W. Clarke, M.D
W. P. A. Referral Agent, Bernard A. Cabisius
Special Police, Alfred S. Thornton, Carleton H. Draper,
William R. Scott, Bernard A. Cabisius, William V.
Flaherty, Howard A. Richards, Stephen Benaski, Ken-
neth J. MacLeod, John Sweet, George A. Nesbitt, Al-
bert P. Pelletier.

JUNK LICENSES RECORDED

Louis, Wilker, Pawtucket, R. I.
William Familant, Brockton, Mass.
Auctioneer's License, James C. Watson, Plain Street.
Pool Table License, Edward T. Roberts, Chartley.

RESIGNATION OF ASSESSOR

Norton, Mass., Dec. 26, 1942

Mr. George E. Smith, Town Clerk

Dear Sir:

I hereby resign my office as Assessor of the Town of Norton, effective December 31, 1942. The people of Norton may be assured I deeply regret the necessity of making this decision as I have enjoyed the opportunity to serve our community and thank them for their trust and co-oper-

ation. The privilege of taking part in our democratic form of government should be sought by more people so that the responsibilities would be better understood by all.

Yours truly,

Everett Francis Lemaire

The Board of Assessors were notified and advised to take action under the provisions of Section 11, Chapter 41, G. L.

George E. Smith, Town Clerk

Percy L. Hinds was appointed by the Joint Board to fill the unexpired term ending March 1st, 1943.

LIST OF JURORS

List of Jurors prepared July 1, 1942, in accordance with provisions of Chapter 348, Acts of 1907, and any acts and amendments thereto:

Name	Occupation
Adair, John G.	Meat Dealer
Becker, W. Walter	Retired
Benaski, Stephen	Farm Superintendent
Cabisius, Julius	Retired
Carruthers, Samuel A.	Carpenter
Clapp, A. Avery	Clerk
DeCoff, Clifford G.	Engineer
Fitzgibbons, James C.	Jeweler
Freeman, Charles H.	Farmer
Freeman, Carlos	Farmer
Hallihan, John Jr.	Jeweler
Hope, Roland	Clerk
Jordan, Clark E.	Mill Worker
Leonard, Alton T.	Fireman
Ludovici, Frank L.	Woolsorter
MacLeod, Kenneth J.	Farmer
McFarlane, John	Clerk
Moran, Thomas F.	Jeweler
Newell, Robert S.	Engraver
Paddock, Herbert E.	Retired

Quinter, Sylvio	Jeweler
Radovicz, Michael	Jeweler
Reynolds, Vinton I.	Bricklayer
Reynolds, Morris E.	Jeweler
Scott, Hugh C.	Farmer
Shaw, Henry I.	Retired
Shaw, Paul	Machinist
Tully, Alton T.	Hospital Employee
Ward, Harold B.	Carpenter
Wood, Arthur C.	Grain Dealer

VINTON I. REYNOLDS,
JOHN B. SCOTT,
JOHN G. ADAIR,
Selectmen of the Town of Norton

1942 JURORS DRAWN

- | Date | Name and Occupation |
|-------------|--|
| January 7. | |
| | Charles P. Ash, Printer. Taunton Superior Court. Monday, February 9, 1942. 10:00 A. M. |
| | Walter A. Gay, Jeweler. Taunton Superior Court. Monday, February 2, 1942. 10:00 A. M. |
| | Everett W. Leonard, Salesman. Taunton Superior Court. Monday, February 2, 1942. 10:00 A. M. |
| February 4. | |
| | Frank Crowe, Laundryman. Superior Court at Taunton. Traverse Jury. March 2, 1942. 10:00 A. M. |
| March 2. | |
| | Alton H. Foster, Electrician. Traverse Jury, Superior Court at Fall River. March 30, 1942. 10:00 A. M. |
| March 3. | |
| | Harry Wilson, Box Maker. Superior Court, Taunton. Wednesday, March 4, 1942. 10:00 A. M. |

March 27.

Clifford A. Titus, Jeweler. Superior Court, New Bedford. Monday, June 1, 1942. 10:00 A. M.

August 11.

Paul Shaw, Machinist. Superior Court, Traverse Jury. September sitting at Taunton. Monday, September 14, 1942. 10:00 A. M.

September 14.

Herbert E. Paddock, Retired. Superior Court at Taunton. September 17, 1942. 10:00 A. M.

December 3.

Samuel A. Carruthers, Carpenter. New Bedford Superior Court. January 4, 1943. 10:00 A. M.

Walter Becker, Retired. Fall River Superior Court. Jan. 4, 1943. 10:00 A. M.

REGISTRARS' MEETINGS, 1942

February 4

Full board met at Town Hall from 7 to 9 o'clock P. M. when ten appeared for registration.

February 18

Full board held continuous session from 12 o'clock noon to 10 o'clock P. M. Twenty-three appeared for registration and were added to the lists. Nomination papers were certified as follows: Constable, Clifford G. DeCoff, 51 names; Constable, Michael Radevicz, 50 names; Water Commissioner for three years, Jesse Ridgeway, 55 names. At the close of registration the number of registered voters was 1802. Women 885, men 917. Enrolled Republicans, 724. Enrolled Democrats, 90. Unenrolled, 988.

June 30

Registrars' meeting to certify nomination papers. None presented.

July 7

Registrars certified nomination paper for Frederick W. Cook, State Secretary.

July 14

Registrars certified nomination papers for Vinton I. Reynolds, Republican, for Representative to General Court, Second Bristol Representative District.

July 21

Registrars certified the following papers: Representative, Second Bristol Representative District, 'Republican, William P. McDermott, 81 Pratt Street, Mansfield; Philip A. Gavin, Main Street; James Clinton Watson, Plain Street.

Democratic: Vinton I. Reynolds.

Democratic: Clifford C. Hubbard, Main Street. Delegate to State Convention.

Senator in Congress: Democratic, Michael A. O'Leary, Cambridge.

Senator in Congress: Republican, Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr.

Lieutenant Governor: Republican, Horace T. Cahill, Braintree.

Republican Representative in Congress, 14th Congressional District, Joseph William Martin, Jr.

Republican Executive Councillor, First Councillor District, Clarence A. Barnes, Mansfield.

Republican Treasurer and Receiver General, Laurence Curtis, Boston.

Republican State Auditor, Russell A. Wood, Cambridge.

Republican Governor, Leverett Saltonstall, Boston.

Republican Treasurer Bristol County, Esther Kingman, Taunton.

Republican District Attorney, Southern District, William C. Crossley.

August 18

Board met at this date from 7 to 9 P. M. when ten appeared for registration. Four women and six men.

August 25

Board met at this date from 12 M. to 10 P. M. when seventeen names were added to this list; seven men and ten women.

At the close of registration it appeared that the total registration was 1780; 882 women and 898 men. There were 287 Republicans and 35 Democrats in the women's affiliation list and 386 Republicans and 53 Democrats in the men's affiliated list.

October 14

Full board met at Town Hall from 12 M. to 10 P. M. when twenty-one appeared for registration; thirteen women and eight men. At the close of registration the total was 1800. Women 895, men 905.

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS, 1942

February 4—Received of William M. P. Bowen, Esq., 940 Hospital Trust Building, Providence, R. I., one hundred fifty dollars for a perpetual care trust fund, the interest to be used for the upkeep of the Charles O. Messinger lot No. 36 in the Common Cemetery.

February 19—Received of Althea E. Woods, the sum of one hundred dollars \$(100.00) for a perpetual care burial lot trust fund to be known as the Herbert E. and Althea E. Woods Fund. This money to be securely invested and the interest to be used for the perpetual care and upkeep of the above mentioned lot in the Norton Common Cemetery.

May 5—Received of Frank L. Lincoln, Taunton, Mass., \$100.00 to be added to the already existing trust fund standing in the name of George H. Leonard Cemetery Fund.

June 1—Received of Charles A. Freeman (by James A. Freeman) one hundred dollars for a perpetual care trust fund, the interest to be used for the care and upkeep of the Charles A. Freeman lot in the Common Cemetery.

July 22—Received of William A. Bellamy, Esq., executor estate of Frederic C. Woodward, \$150.00 to be applied

with such funds if any there are for the perpetual care of the cemetery lot of Frederick C. Woodward, located in the Woodward Cemetery in Norton. Provided there is a perpetual care provided for on the lot of Fredereick C. Woodward, the income to be applied to the perpetual care of the whole cemetery.

July 30—Received of Clifford E. Reynolds, the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00), the interest to be used for the perpetual care of the Clifford E. Reynolds lot in the Norton Common Cemetery. The accumulated interest to be used, beginning July 30, 1943.

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, 1942

Bristol, ss.

To Frank A. Clapp or either of the Constables of the Town
of Norton, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Norton to met in the Town Hall in said Norton on Monday evening, the second day of March, 1942, at eight o'clock, then and there to act on the following articles: and you are also hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of the said town to meet in the Town Hall in said Norton, on Monday, March 9, 1942, at 12 o'clock noon, to elect one selectman, one assessor, one member of the board of water commissioners, one member of the school committee, one member of the board of public welfare each for a term of three years, and one member of the school committee for the unexpired term of three years, ending March, 1944, also a town clerk, a treasurer, a collector of taxes, and one or more constables, a tree warden, and a moderator, all to serve for one year.

The polls may be closed at 8 o'clock P. M.

Article 1. To choose all other town officers required by law, and not provided for on the ballot.

Art. 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the report of the town officers.

Art. 3. To determine the salaries of the town officials for the ensuing year, in accordance with Chapter 41, sec. 108, General Laws, viz.: Town Clerk, Treasurer, Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Assessors, Collector of Taxes, Moderator, Tree Warden, Constables, Water Commissioners, and School Committee.

Art. 4. To raise and appropriate money to defray the expenses of the town for the ensuing year.

- (a) For repairs and improvements of roads.
- (b) For repairs and improvements of bridges and railings and other necessary tools and equipment.
- (c) For the support of schools, school supplies, transportation, salary of the superintendent, school physician, attendance officers and repairs.
- (d) For the maintenance and operating expenses of the water department.
- (e) For the support of the public library.
- (f) For Memorial Day exercises.
- (g) For the care and repairs of the "Common" at the Center.
- (h) For the maintenance and running expenses of the fire department.
- (i) For payment of state and military aid.
- (j) For payment of soldiers' relief.
- (k) For public welfare and aid to dependent children.
- (l) For the expense of the Board of Health.
- (m) For payment of the town debt.
- (n) For interest on town debt and temporary loans.
- (o) For the expense and prevention of forest fires.
- (p) For the expense of police department.
- (q) For the expense of the tree warden.
- (r) For the expense of the town hall.
- (s) For registration and election expenses including salaries.
- (t) For general government including salaries and expenses of the following town officers: Town Clerk, Treasurer, Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Assessors, Collector of Taxes, Accountant, and Moderator.

- (u) For an appropriation in pursuance of Chapter 436, Acts of 1936, Old Age Assistance Law.
- (v) For the expense of sealer of weights and measures.
- (w) For the printing and delivering of the annual town reports.
- (x) For insurance of public buildings, compensation insurance and insurance of all town trucks, including the fire trucks, in accordance with Chapter 403, Acts of 1936.
- (y) For removal of snow.
- (z) For the salary of a nurse for work in the public schools for the current year.

Art. 5. To raise and appropriate money for the suppression of gypsy and brown tail moths.

Art. 6. To raise and appropriate money for the town's proportion of the annual maintenance of the Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital.

Art. 7. To see what action the town will take to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquor in the town and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to authorize the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1942, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Art. 9. To raise and appropriate money for legal services.

Art. 10. To raise and appropriate money for street lighting.

Art. 11. To hear the report of the committee on reforestation including repairs on the town farm and take any action thereon.

Art. 12. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out the recommendations of the reforestation committee regarding reforestation.

Art. 13. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out the recommendations of the reforestation committee regarding repairs at the town farm, to be expended

under the provision of said committee.

Art. 14. To see if the town will authorize any board of town officials to appoint any of their members to any other office and fix the compensation according to Chapter 41, Section 4A, General Laws.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for a reserve fund as authorized by Chapter 40 of the General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the state or county, or both, under Chapter 90, for the maintenance of Chapter 90 roads in town, or take any action in relation thereto.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money in addition to the balance remaining of the 1941 appropriation, to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the state or county, or both, under Chapter 90, for the construction of a section of tarvia road on Eddy street, or take any action in relation thereto.

Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with the W. P. A., or any other Federal allotments.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the surplus revenue to reduce the tax rate of 1942, subject to the General Laws.

Art. 20. To see if the town vote to transfer a sum of money from the Machinery Equipment Fund, to the Machinery Equipment Account, for the purpose of repairing and operating road machinery.

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Machinery Equipment Fund for the purpose of purchasing the following equipment for the highway department: a new truck, and a bulldozer blade with attachments for tractor, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote the following by-law: "There shall be a Defense Board of five members, appointed by the selectmen. Vacancies shall be filled in like manner. One member shall be designated to act as chairman. The Defense Board shall have charge of the expenditures of all sums of money raised and appropriated by the

town for the purposes of the Committee on Public Safety, under the provisions of Chapter 487 of the Acts of 1941;" or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 23. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used for the purposes of the Committee on Public Safety, under the provisions of Chapter 487 of the Acts of 1941; or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 24. To see if the town will amend By-law No. 3 by adding the words "By the town clerk", so that the affected part of the By-Law shall read: "Voters shall be warned of any special meetings by the posting of Warrants in the same manner and also by the mailing of post cards to the individual voters by the town clerk"; or take any other action relative thereto.

Art. 25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a resuscitator or similar device, or take any action relative thereto. (By request.)

Art. 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to erect a cement block storehouse on town property located on Main Street, for the purpose of storing water pipe, hydrants, fittings and other material belonging to the water department, or take any other action relative thereto. (By request of the Water Commissioners.)

Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase pictures of Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Hicks, now in possession of Mr. Frederick E. Smith, of Dedham, Massachusetts, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Art. 28. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay for the labor of extending the water main on North Worcester street for the distance of four thousand feet; using pipe already purchased for said purpose; or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay certain bills under Section 64 of Chapter 44, General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies of the body of the same at each of the public meeting houses and at least three other public places in said town, seven days at least before the time of

said meeting. Hereof fail not and make due return of the warrant with your doings thereon to the acting moderator at time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this second day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred forty-two.

(Signed)

VINTON I. REYNOLDS,
JOHN B. SCOTT,

Selectmen of Norton

Norton, March 2, 1942

I have served the above Warrant by posting attested copies at each of the public meeting houses and at least three other places within the limits of said town at least seven days before the time of holding said meeting.

FRANK A. CLAPP, Constable

RECORD OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, 1942

In accordance with the Warrant for annual town meeting, a quorum of qualified voters met at the Town Hall on the evening of March 2, 1942, at eight o'clock, to act on Article 2 and subsequent articles. Moderator Vinton I. Reynolds presided.

Article 1 was first considered and nominations for minor town officers submitted by John B. Scott, were voted as follows:

Measurers of Lumber—Arthur E. Sweet, Daniel A. Woodward, Albert S. Lincoln, Francis J. Murphy, and Oliver E. White.

Measurers of Wood—Arthur E. Sweet, Lewis B. Woodward, Walter C. S. Wood, Arthur C. Wood, Thomas A. Beaman, E. Clifton Becker, Oliver E. White and Albert S. Lincoln.

Pound Keeper—Julius Leonard.

Art. 2. Mr. W. C. S. Wood moved the town report be accepted with a correction of the War Chest Fund. (Later Mr. Wood explained that he did not refer to the treasurer's report on page 96 of the Town Report; that is correct.)

At this point Mr. Ernest J. Knapton, a member of the school board, received permission to address the house, speaking in part as follows:

"Before the town report is accepted may I call your attention to pages 121-122 in the town report. In fairness to the voters and in justice to myself and to the school committee, I think I should make a few words of explanation.

"According to that letter from Swift and Swift to the selectmen, the school committee has acted illegally, and for the past six months I have been holding a town office to which I was not entitled, as there was no vacancy existing on the school board.

"A legal opinion from the Department of Education at the State House, which was given free of charge, stated that a vacancy did exist because of the removal of Mr. Kendall. So I proceeded with my duties as a member of the school committee.

"Two members of the board of selectmen obtained legal counsel from Swift and Swift as a basis of proceeding to hold up school Warrants, with my signature upon them. The matter should have been put into a court of law where each part could have legal counsel, but the selectmen would not do this. The town report contains a very incomplete view of the situation.

"On September 7th, 1941, Mr. Kendall submitted his resignation to the school committee and to the selectmen. This was not necessary according to the General Laws that do not require it (quoted law). Mr. Kendall removed from town in the previous spring, thereby vacating his office. Mr. Reynolds tried to persuade Mr. Kendall not to resign until March, notwithstanding he had removed from Norton, but to keep his place warm on the school board and divide the committee.

"September 12th the school committee wrote the selectmen, inviting them to a joint meeting to be held September 24th. On September 24th the school committee held a joint meeting of the two boards, at which time Mr. Knapton

was appointed. Selectman Charles E. Flaherty was present, but Reynolds and Scott deliberately refused to attend. On Oct. 15, Mr. Reynolds wrote Mr. Kendall suggesting "that he do not resign" and on January 23, John B. Scott wrote Mr. Kendall asking him 'now to resign'."

Mr. Knapton then quoted from an article that appeared in the Attleboro Sun March 2, and Mrs. Helen Gavin read the legal opinion from the State House. Mr. Kendall's resignation was accepted September 7 and Town Clerk George E. Smith was notified and he (Mr. Smith) requested Mr. Nourse to file this paper of resignation in the school files.

Mr. Reynolds then relinquished his gavel and took the floor. He reviewed the opinion of Swift and Swift. "It does not appear," continued Mr. Reynolds, "since no resignation was in the town clerk's files that Mr. Kendall had removed from the town in the spring." Whereupon Mr. Reynolds was assured that any school child could have given that information.

Joseph H. FitzGerald, Esquire, the next speaker, declared that the legal opinion for which the selectmen paid \$10.00 of the town funds, was not worth the paper it was written on as the law specifically states that when a man removes from town he automatically ceases to be a member of the committee. "Should such things be put in the town report to besmirch its records?" asked Mr. FitzGerald. "It is not necessary unless we can have opinions on both sides." Mrs. Helen Gavin then moved that the Town Report be accepted with pages 121-122 stricken from the records.

Motion seconded and voted with an unquestioned majority.

Art. 3. (On this article and subsequent articles motion was made by Philip Gavin for the Finance Committee and seconded by William Tucker).

Moved, seconded and voted that the salaries remain the same as last year, viz.: Town clerk, \$150.00; treasurer, \$500.00; selectmen, \$150.00 each; board of public welfare, \$100.00 each; assessors, \$350.00 each; collector of taxes, \$500.00; accountant, \$500.00; moderator, \$20.00; total, \$3,470.00.

Art. 4. Under this article the following sums were voted to raise and appropriate:

- (a) For repairs and improvement of roads, voted \$7,125.00.

- (b) For repairs and improvement of bridges and railings and other necessary tools and equipment, voted \$400.00.
- (c) For the support of schools, school supplies, transportation, salary of superintendent, school physician, attendance officers and repairs. Voted \$47,-464.00.
- (d) For the maintenance and operating expenses of the water department, voted \$8,500.00.
- (e) For the support of the public library, voted \$1,-000.00.
- (f) For Memorial Day exercises, voted, \$150.00.
- (g) For the care and repairs of the Common at the Center, voted \$50.00.
- (h) For the maintenance and running expenses of the fire department, voted, \$3,625.00.
- (i) For payment of state and military aid, voted, \$200.00.
- (j) For payments of soldiers' relief, voted, \$650.00.
- (k) For public welfare and aid to dependent children, voted, \$7,800.00.
- (l) For the expense of the board of health, voted, \$1,-000.00.
- (m) For payment of town debt, voted \$6,000.00.
- (n) For interest on town debt and temporary loans, voted, \$2,150.00.
- (o) For the expense of the police department, voted voted, \$500.00.
- (p) For the expense of the police department, voted \$1,900.00.
- (q) For the expense of the tree warden, voted, \$175.
- (r) For the expense of the town hall, voted, \$600.00.
- (s) For registration and election expenses, including salaries, voted, \$550.00.
- (t) For general government, including salaries and expenses of the following town officers; voted:

	Salary	Expenses
Town Clerk,	\$ 150.00	\$275.00
Treasurer,	500.00	635.00
Collector,	500.00	700.00
Selectmen,	450.00	275.00

Assessors,	1,050.00	400.00
Accountant,	500.00	150.00
Welfare Board,	300.00	.....
Moderator,	20.00	.....
	\$3,470.00	\$2,435.00
Total voted, \$5,905.00.		

(u) For old age assistance, Chapter 436, Acts of 1936, voted, \$17,000.00.

(v) For expense of sealer of weights and measures, voted, \$140.00.

(w) For printing and delivering town reports, voted, \$379.36.

(x) For insurance as per article in Warrant, voted, \$2,700.00.

(y) For removal of snow, voted, \$1,500.00.

(z) For salary of nurse in public schools, voted, \$900.

Art. 5. Voted to raise and appropriate for B. C. T.

B. Hospital maintenance, \$1,801.78.

Art. 7. Voted to dismiss this article.

Art. 8. Voted that the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1942, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Art. 9. Voted to raise and appropriate for street lighting (one light added at Charlotte avenue), \$1,992.36.

Art. 11. Voted to accept the report of reforestation committee and print in the town report. The chairman, Mrs. Gertrude C. Milliken, received a vote of thanks from the townspeople.

Art. 12. Voted to appropriate from the Fund "Sale of Pines" for the use of the reforestation committee, one hundred and fifty dollars. \$150.00.

Art. 13. Mrs. J. K. Milliken, chairman, requested that no appropriation be made for town farm repairs.

Art. 14. Recommended and voted that the selectmen appoint a clerk of the board at a salary of \$75.00; water board to appoint a clerk at a salary of \$200.00; school com-

mittee to appoint a clerk of the board at a salary of \$50.00; welfare board to appoint an agent at a salary of \$15.00 per week.

Art. 15. Voted to raise and appropriate for a reserve fund, \$2,000.00.

Art. 16. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the state or county, or both, under Chapter 90, for the maintenance of Chapter 90 roads in town.

Art. 17. As there is no money available for this work, from the Commonwealth, the article was dismissed.

Art. 18. Voted to raise and appropriate \$200.00 to be used in conjunction with W. P. A. or any other Federal allotments.

Art. 19. Voted to appropriate \$4,000.00 from surplus revenue to reduce taxation in 1942.

Art. 20. Voted to transfer \$2,000.00 from the Machinery Equipment Fund to the Machinery Equipment account as per article.

Art. 21. Voted the transfer of unexpended balance of \$219.50 and the appropriation from the Machinery Equipment Fund of \$700.00 for the purchase of a bulldozer blade with tractor attachments.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote the following by-law: "There shall be a defense board of five members, appointed by the selectmen. Vacancies shall be filled in like manner. One member shall be designated to act as chairman. The Defense Board shall have charge of the expenditures of all sums of money raised and appropriated by the town for the purpose of the Committee on Public Safety, under the provisions of Chapter 487 of the Acts of 1941", or take any other action relative thereto.

Under this article Joseph Rubin moved the article be accepted. Mr. Joseph FitzGerald suggested that the appointment of such an important board should not be made by the selectmen, but by the town meeting; that this procedure might result in the naming of citizens familiar with the work. He specified a number of capable people. Philip Gavin said it was customary for the voters themselves to be directly responsible for such appointments where large sums of money were to be expended; that the committee should not be appointed by a board of selectmen who might

choose themselves. Mr. Rubin remarked that not all voters were present who might like a voice in the matter. "Evidently those people who are not present tonight were willing to leave this matter in our hands, since they were notified to this meeting and are thoroughly acquainted with the Warrant," came a voice from the floor. "We are here, let us proceed."

After a short final debate Mr. Gavin moved to amend Mr. Rubin's motion so that Article 22 should read as follows:

By-law: "There shall be a Defense Board of five members, appointed by the Finance Committee. Vacancies shall be filled in like manner. One member shall be designated to act as chairman. The Defense Board shall have charge of the expenditures of all sums of money raised and appropriated by the town for the purpose of the Committee on Public Safety, under the provisions of Chapter 487 of the Acts of 1941."

This amendment was seconded and put to vote and declared carried by the moderator, to read as amended by Mr. Gavin.

Art. 23. Voted to raise and appropriate for the purposes of the Public Safety Committee, \$1,000.00.

Art. 24. The Finance Committee recommended that the sending out of postals be discontinued. Motion was made, however, by Lewis Rubin to amend by-law No. 3 by striking out that part reading "To individual voters' and adding "all mail box holders in the Town of Norton" so that the amended by-law shall read: "The Selectmen shall notify the voters of the town of the date of the annual town meeting by causing attested copies of the Warrant for such meetings to be posted at the several meeting houses and at least three other public places within the limits of the town."

This article was voted as amended.

Art. 25. The sum of \$400.00 was voted to be raised and appropriated under this article. (To purchase a resuscitator for Fire Department.)

Art. 26. Dismissed from the Warrant.

Art. 27. Voted to raise and appropriate \$100 for this purpose. Vote was taken after considerable opposition to the spending of town money for this purpose.

Art. 28. Voted to appropriate \$3,000.00 from the excess and deficiency account for the extension of water on North Worcester street as per article. Any balance remaining to be spent, to connect Pleasant street and Old Colony Road mains. (Westerly junction.)

Art. 29. Voted to raise and appropriate \$100.00 to pay certain bills of 1941. These bills, it appeared, were \$68.00 for the dog officer for alleged care and disposal of seventeen dogs in 1941, and \$32.00 for medical care unpaid bills.

Adjourned to March 9th at eight o'clock P. M. The business meeting being held pursuant to the Warrant on March 2 and the transactions completed, the election of officers was held on the 9th, the polls being opened at 12 o'clock noon and closed at 8 o'clock P. M. The following officers were in charge: Constable Frank A. Clapp, ballot box; ballot clerks, Arlene Plunkett and Bertha Haskell; tellers, Avery Clapp, Cleveland Briggs, W. Robert LaChapelle, Arthur Wood, Lewis Rubin.

Three hundred fifty-nine were checked and registered as having voted and at the conclusion of the count at 9:30 P. M., the results were announced as follows:

Town Clerk for one year, George E. Smith,	287
Blanks,	72
Total,	359
Town Treasurer for one year, George E. Smith,	285
Blanks,	74
Total,	359
Collector for one year, George E. Smith,	287
Blanks,	72
Total,	359
Selectman for three years, John G. Adair,	270
Blanks,	89
Total,	359
Assessor for three years, William E. Fales,	299
Blanks,	60
Total,	359

Board of Public Welfare for three years:

Lester M. Johnson,	305
Blanks,	54

Total,	359
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Water Commissioner for three years:

Stephen Benaski,	146
Jesse Ridgeway,	206
Blanks,	7

Total,	359
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Tree Warden for one year, Albert S. Lincoln,

Blanks,	295
	64

Total,	359
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Constables for one year (first eight elected):

Wilfred Becker,	244
Stephen Benaski,	196
Frank A. Clapp,	280
Ralph F. Clapp,	185
Carleton H. Draper,	272
Benjamin B. Scanlon,	242
William R. Scott,	260
William J. Tucker,	199
Clifford DeCoff,	112
Michael Radevicz,	179
Blanks,	703

Totals,	2872
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School Committe for two years, Ernest J. Knapton,

Blanks,	272
	87

Total,	359
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School Committee for three years, Helen W. Gavin,

Blanks,	262
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Total,	359
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Moderator for one year:

Vinton I. Reynolds,	224
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Clifford C. Hubbard,	45
Blanks,	90

Total,	359
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Town Committee for one year:

Bernard A. Cabisius,	283
Frank A. Clapp,	298
Arthur L. Valentine,	278
Blanks,	218

Total,	1077
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Finance Committee for three years as appointed by the Moderator: Thomas F. Manning, Henry I. Shaw, Clifford Reynolds, Albert F. Woodward, Kenneth J. MacLeod.

Adjourned.

GEORGE E. SMITH, Town Clerk

TOWN CAUCUS, 1942

A caucus of qualified voters of the Town of Norton was called and held in accordance with the provisions of law relating thereto, at the town hall on Wednesday, February 11, 1942, at eight o'clock P. M., and the following nominations of candidates for town offices were made, viz.:

Town Clerk, George E. Smith; Town Treasurer, George E. Smith; Collector of Taxes, George E. Smith; all for one year. Selectman for three years, John G. Adair. Assessor for for three years, William E. Fales. Board of Public Welfare, for three years, Lester M. Johnson. Water Commissioner for three years, Stephen Benaski. Tree Warden for one year, Albert S. Lincoln. Constables for one year, Wilfred W. Becker, Stephen Benaski, Frank A. Clapp, Ralph F. Clapp, Carleton H. Draper, Benjamin B. Scanlon, William R. Scott, William J. Tucker. School Committee for two years, Ernest J. Knapton; for three years, Helen W. Gavin. Moderator, Vinton I. Reynolds. Town Committee for one year, Bernard

A. Cabisius, Frank A. Clapp, Arthur L. Valentine. Voted that in case of death, withdrawal, or ineligibility of the candidate or candidates so nominated, the vacancy or vacancies shall be filled by the town committee.

Frank A. Clapp, presiding officer.

George E. Smith, Secretary of the Caucus.

Norton, Mass., March 6, 1942

To the Town Clerk and Town Accountant:

A Special Meeting and executive session of the Finance Committee was held on Thursday, March 5, 1942, at eight o'clock P. M., at the town hall. Nine members were present.

The object of the meeting was to appoint five members of the Defense Board authorized by vote of the town under Article 22 at the annual meeting on March 2, 1942.

The following board was appointed: Philip Gavin, chairman; Frank Crowe, George J. Traviss, Clifford Reynolds, Myron T. Briggs.

The meeting adjourned at 9 o'clock P. M.

GEORGE E. SMITH,
Clerk of Finance Committee

ACTION ON BY-LAWS

Article 22 from the Warrant for Annual Town Meeting, March 2, 1942, "To see if the town will vote the following by-law: 'There shall be a Defense Board of five members appointed by the selectmen. Vacancies shall be filled in like manner. One member shall be designated to act as chairman. The defense board shall have charge of the expenditures of all sums of money raised and appropriated by the town for the purposes of the committee on Public Safety under the provisions of Chapter 487 of the Acts of 1941,' or take any action thereon."

The By-law as voted: "There shall be a Defense Board of five members, appointed by the Finance Committee. Vacancies shall be filled in like manner.

One member shall be designated as chairman. The Defense Board shall have charge of the expenditures of all sums of money raised and appropriated by the Town for the purposes of the Committee on Public Safety, under the provisions of Chapter 487 of the Acts of 1941."

Attest: GEORGE E. SMITH, Town Clerk

Boston, Mass., May 5, 1942

The foregoing by-law is hereby approved.

ROBERT J. BUSHNELL,
Attorney General

See Article 24, Town Warrant.

By-law No. 3 as approved: "The selectmen shall notify the voters of the Town of the date of the annual town meeting by causing attested copies of the Warrant for such meetings to be posted at the several meeting houses and at least three other public places within the limits of the town. Voters shall be warned of any special meetings by the posting of Warrants in the same manner."

Boston, Mass., May 5, 1942

The foregoing is hereby approved as deleted.

ROBERT J. BUSHNELL,
Attorney General

Attorney General's Office

Boston, May 5, 1942

Mr. George E. Smith, Town Clerk, Norton, Mass.:

Dear Sir: The by-law concerning amendment to by-law No. 3 is approved as deleted, for the reason that the statutes make no provision for the notice other than as previously enacted.

Yours very truly,
ALBERT Z. LeMOINE,
Assistant Attorney General

REPORT OF REFORESTATION COMMITTEE

March 2, 1942

Town Forests:

Five new town forests have been established in Massachusetts this year by the towns of Chelmsford, Fairhaven, Monroe, Needham, and Winchester. Two forests were lost, one by sale and the other being taken over by the Federal Government for military purposes. There are now 124 town forests, containing 37,350 acres, on which more than seven million trees have been planted. The Society of American Foresters has now recognized the community forest, as it is called outside of New England, as one of the major phases of conservation. Some thirty states now have such forests.

Your chairman attended the annual conference of town forest committees on November 28 at the State House. After an address of welcome by Governor Saltonstall, there followed reports of the progress of the town forest movement, town forest planning and management. A new bulletin, "Bringing the Forests to the People," published by the Massachusetts Forest and Park Association, was distributed.

Dutch Elm Disease:

The infection was found last summer in an elm about half a mile from the New York State line in the town of Alford which lies just west of Great Barrington. The tree has been cut down and burned. Conferences of federal authorities have been held, scouting work is being done on the surrounding area, and cutting down of dead trees, and much pruning of dead limbs is taking place. Authorities hold out no hope that we may be able to check and eventually eradicate the disease. It is urged that every town watch its elms, remove dead trees and prune from live elms the dead wood in which insect carriers breed.

Norton Town Forest:

One thousand red pines were obtained from the State free of charge and were planted in empty spaces on the Town Farm tract. On November 25, Mr. Guy W. Lucas, our district forester, came to Norton and looked over the entire

Town Forest with your chairman. It was decided to use the remainder of our appropriation in clearing scrub oak and similar growth from the tract on Plain Street, where the pines are now of good size and will make from now on better growth freed from surrounding trash. Four men—Mr. White, Mr. Pike, Mr. Richmond, and Mr. Casey—did an excellent piece of work on this place, clearing approximately five acres. Of the appropriation of \$150.00, the following expenditures have been made:

Labor planting trees, etc., at Town Farm,	\$ 24.00
Express on trees,	.77
Labor clearing at Plain street tract,	122.40
Total,	\$147.17

This leaves a balance of \$2.83 returned to the town treasury. Since January 1, \$8.97 has been received from sale of logs.

Recommendations

The committee recommends that in accordance with the advice of the District Forester, the appropriation for the coming year be spent in improving the various town forest tracts through clearing, burning trash and trimming out.

Town Farm Repairs:

Practically no repairs have been made this year at the town farm buildings, and the expenditure has been only five dollars. This leaves an unexpended balance of \$241.30.

Unexpended balance, 1940,	\$196.30
Appropriation, 1941,	50.00
	\$246.30
Expended for cleaning toilets,	5.00
Balance,	\$241.30

The committee feels this will cover necessary repairs for the coming year, and therefore requests no further appropriation.

Repairs Recommended:

1. Paint and paper in several rooms.

2. Ceilings whitened where necessary.
3. Some general repairs to floors, etc.

Receipts:

House rent in cash and to be collected:

Mr. Lincoln,	\$120.00
Mr. Watson,	180.00
Land rent—House in the Pines,	25.00

Total,	\$325.00
Expenditures,	5.00

Cash profit,	\$320.00
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Rental in storage value to town at \$12.50 per month,	150.00
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Total profit,	\$470.00
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History of Town Forest through Twenty Years:

Your town forest committee was appointed in March, 1922, and its first report made in March, 1923. Since the work of the committee has covered a period of twenty years, it may be in order to give a brief summary of what has been accomplished.

The Norton Town Forest was started with about ten acres belonging to the Norton town farm. These ten acres were a portion of the land which had recently been cleared of its timber, and the timber consisting of very good sized pines sold for approximately \$5,000.00. This pine fund had been deposited in five savings banks, and is still intact except for the withdrawal of some of the interest.

The first trees were planted on Arbor Day, 1923, when citizens and school children met and planted the first thousand pines.

In 1927, all the wooded area of the town farm was made a part of the town forest, making a total of approximately 60 acres. After this area became a part of the town forest, the Town Forest Committee, with the advice of a State Forester, was able to make a plan by which only the trees ten inches through, breast high, should be cut. One

thousand thirteen dollars and fifty cents was turned in to the town treasurer, and there were more trees left standing than were cut.

Approximately twenty acres at the water works were then added to the town forest; later thirty-three acres were purchased at \$5.00 an acre, and a gift of about twelve acres brought the total acreage to approximately one hundred twenty-five acres.

At the end of five years 20,000 trees had been planted, \$717.90 spent, and \$1,580.93 received.

In 1929, 5,000 trees were planted by the Massachusetts Forestry Association on Plain street.

Cord wood has been cut at various times for welfare and for schools.

In 1934, through a W. P. A. project, fire lines were cut, extensive clearing done, a roadway built, a water hole dug, and planting done.

All tracts except the twelve-acre tract have been surveyed and blue prints made.

To date 76,000 pines and spruces have been planted. The hurricane of 1938 did a good deal of damage, destroying some of our trees about thirty-six to forty years old. Through the help of Federal Funds the logs were trimmed and trash burned, and the logs then sold to a local firm for \$1.75 a cord. One hundred forty dollars and twenty-two cents has been turned in to the town.

In the years in which we have had a town forest, the expenditures and receipts have nearly balanced each other.

One of the most profitable projects of the Town Forest Committee has been the salvaging of the town farm buildings, which were fast deteriorating. The dwelling house is now rented for \$25.00 a month and various tools and equipment are stored in the barn which gives the town a rental value of from \$12.00 to \$15.00 a month.

In spite of the fact that your chairman has been unable to collect the entire rent to date, there has actually been received by the town \$1,183.67 more than has been paid out at the town farm.

The town forest, or community forest, movement is spreading throughout the United States. It is now considered a national defense project. Since the first World War, England has spent millions of pounds on reforestation, be-

cause it recognized the absolute necessity of having an adequate supply of timber readily available in an emergency. Many of our forests in this country are being overcut at this time because of the high prices of lumber. It is hoped that the Norton Town Forest can ultimately be enlarged, and will continue to be a part, if only a small one, in the conservation of our resources.

Respectfully submitted,

(signed)

GERTRUDE CORNISH MILLIKEN,
Mrs. J. K. Milliken
Chairman Reforestation Committee

Stored in Barn, 1941 - 1942

One Road Grader, 1 Street Sweeper, 1 Water Cart, 2 Snowplows, 1 Street Plough, 3 or 4 Gravel Screens, 1 Road Hone, Arsenate of lead (tramp house), Snow Fence in the summer, Small Articles.

WARRANT FOR STATE PRIMARY

SEPTEMBER 15, 1942

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Bristol, ss.

To Frank A. Clapp or either of the Constables of the Town of Norton. Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in the town hall, Norton, Tuesday, the fifteenth day of September, 1942, at two o'clock P. M. for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the nominations of candidates of political parties for the following offices:

Governor for this Commonwealth. Lieutenant-Governor for this Commonwealth. Secretary of the Commonwealth for this Commonwealth. Treasurer and Receiver General for this Commonwealth. Auditor of the Commonwealth for this Commonwealth. Attorney General for this Commonwealth. Senator in Congress for this Commonwealth. Representative in Congress for the 14th Congressional District. Councillor for the First Councillor District. Senator for the First Bristol Senatorial District. Representative in General Court for the 2nd Bristol Representative District. District Attorney for the Southern District. Register of Probate and Insolvency for Bristol County. County Treasurer for Bristol County.

The polls will be open from 2 o'clock P. M. to 8 o'clock P. M. And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the public meeting houses and three other public places seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by vote of the town.

Hereof fail not and make return of this Warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this fifth day of September, A. D. 1942.

(signed)

VINTON I. REYNOLDS,
JOHN B. SCOTT,
JOHN G. ADAIR,

Selectmen of Norton

Norton, Mass., September 15, 1942

Bristol, ss.

I have served this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the public meeting houses in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

(signed) FRANK A. CLAPP,

Constable of Norton

RECORD OF STATE PRIMARY

SEPTEMBER 15, 1942

The polls were declared opened at 2 o'clock P. M. by Presiding Officer John G. Adair, and the election of officers were qualified as follows: Ballot clerks, Lena Whitaker and Arlene Plunkett; tellers, Arthur Wood, Cleveland Briggs, Percy Hinds, Benedict Yelle, William R. Scott, Avery Clapp. Constable, Frank A. Clapp.

The total number of ballots cast was 190; 171 having voted Republican, and 19 Democrat. The tabulation was concluded at 9:30 P. M. with the following results:

REPUBLICAN VOTE

GOVERNOR:

Leverett Saltonstall, 240 Chestnut Hill Road,	150
Newton,	21
Blanks,	
	171

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR:

Horace T. Cahill, 60 Arborway Dr., Braintree,	144
Blanks,	27
	171

SECRETARY:

Frederick W. Cook, 75 Benton Road, Somerville,	146
Blanks,	25
	171

TREASURER:

Laurence Curtis, 15 River St., Boston,	55
Edgar A. French, Off Main St., Marshfield,	33
Sybil H. Holmes, 68 Taylor Crossway, Brookline,	29
Richard E. Johnston, 183 Huntington Ave., Boston,	8
Wallace E. Stearns, 110 Gainsborough St., Boston,	7
Blanks,	39
	171

AUDITOR:

Russell A. Wood, 11 Whittier St., Cambridge,	136
Blanks,	35
	171

ATTORNEY GENERAL:

Robert T. Bushnell, 193 Fuller St., Newton,	139
Blanks,	32
	171

SENATOR IN CONGRESS:

Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., 275 Hale St., Beverly,	131
Courtenay Crocker, 314 Marlboro' St., Boston,	11
Blanks,	29
	171

CONGRESSMAN, 14TH DISTRICT:

Joseph William Martin, Jr., 54 Grove St., North Attleborough,	140
Blanks,	31
	171

COUNCILLOR FIRST DISTRICT:

Clarence A. Barnes, 79 Rumford Ave., Mansfield,	96
Harold Francis Woodward, 20 Fairview Ave., Taunton,	43
Blanks,	32
	171

SENATOR FIRST BRISTOL DISTRICT:

Jarvis Hunt, 51 High St., North Attleborough,	136
Blanks,	35
	171

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT,

SECOND BRISTOL DISTRICT:

Philip A. Gavin, Main St., Norton,	45
William P. McDermott, 81 Pratt St., Mansfield,	42
Vinton I. Reynolds, North Worcester St., Norton,	77
James C. Watson, Plain St., Norton,	5
Blanks,	2
	171

DISTRICT ATTORNEY SOUTHERN DISTRICT:

William C. Crossley, 288 Montgomery St., Fall River,	139
Blanks,	32
	171

REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY:

James P. Kelley, 417 Florence St., Fall River,	126
Blanks,	45
	171

COUNTY COMMISSIONER BRISTOL COUNTY:

Arthur W. Bradbury, 314 Park St., New Bedford,	71
Douglas J. Richardson, 28 Wood St., Fall River,	64
Blanks,	36
	171

COUNTY TREASURER BRISTOL COUNTY:

Charles W. Brown, Jr., 966 Kempton St., New Bedford,	21
Carl L. Emerson, 1486 Somerset Ave., Taunton,	27
Esther Kingman, 4 West Weir St., Taunton,	75
Napoleon A. Masse, 163 Arizona St., Fall River,	5
John B. Waterman, 737 High St., Fall River,	6
Blanks,	37
	171

 DEMOCRATIC VOTE

GOVERNOR:

Francis E. Kelly, 1184 Morton St., Boston,	11
Roger L. Putnam, 216 Central St., Springfield,	7
Blanks,	1
	19

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR:

John C. Carr, 30 Burnside St., Medford,	13
Blanks,	6
	19

SECRETARY:

Joseph J. Buckley, 76 South Huntington Ave., Boston,	7
Leo A. Gosselin, Governor Ave., Bellingham,	5
John D. O'Brien, 31 Pear St.,	1
Blanks,	6
	19

TREASURER:

Thomas E. Barry, 49 Bayswater St., Boston,	5
Francis X. Hurley, 11 Prince St., Boston,	7
William F. Hurley, 56 Mt. Pleasant Ave., Boston,	1
John F. Welch, 63 Homer St., Boston,	1
Blanks,	5
	19

AUDITOR:

Thomas J. Buckley, 15 Pinckney St., Boston,	10
Leo D. Walsh, 43 Savin Hill Ave., Boston,	4
Blanks,	5
	19

ATTORNEY GENERAL:

James E. Agnew, 92 Wallingford Road, Boston,	15
Blanks,	4
	19

SENATOR IN CONGRESS:

Joseph E. Casey, 295 Church St., Clinton,	6
Daniel H. Coakley, Parker House, Boston,	1
John F. Fitzgerald, 21 Beacon St., Boston,	7
Joseph Lee, 43 South Russell St., Boston,	3
Blanks,	2
	19

CONGRESSMAN 14TH DISTRICT:

Harold E. Cole, 6 Brook St., Taunton,	10
Terrance J. Lomax, Jr., 286 Whipple St., Fall River,	2
Arthur E. Seagrave, 2097 Highland Ave., Fall River,	6

Blanks,	1
	19
COUNCILLOR FIRST DISTRICT:	
Joseph P. Clark, Jr., 1954 Highland Ave., Fall River,	7
J. Dolan Hathaway, 266 Franklin St., Fall River,	7
Blanks,	5
	19
SENATOR FIRST BRISTOL DISTRICT:	
John L. Mastromarino, 14 Church St., Taunton,	13
Blanks,	6
	19
REPRESENTATIVE GENERAL COURT	
SECOND BRISTOL DISTRICT:	
Vinton I. Reynolds, North Worcester St., Norton,	10
Blanks,	9
	19
REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY:	
James B. Kelley, Jr., 417 Florence St., Fall River,	12
Blanks,	7
	19
COUNTY COMMISSIONER BRISTOL COUNTY:	
Timothy A. Lovett, 592 Maple St., Fall River,	9
Blanks,	10
	19
COUNTY TREASURER BRISTOL COUNTY:	
Ernest W. Kilroy, 53 Whipple St., Fall River,	7
John D. Egan, 1 Howland Terrace, New Bedford,	2
William E White, 50 Cottage St., Fall River,	5
Blanks,	5
	19
DISTRICT ATTORNEY:	
No candidate,	....
Blanks,	19
	19

GEORGE E. SMITH, Town Clerk

WARRANT FOR STATE ELECTION

NOVEMBER 3, 1942

Bristol, ss.

To Frank A. Clapp or either of the Constables of the Town
of Norton, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Norton, to meet in the town hall in said Norton on Tuesday, the third day of November, 1942, it being the Tuesday next after the first Monday of said month, at ten o'clock A. M., then and there to bring in their votes to the selectmen for the following officers and questions: A Governor for the Commonwealth; a Lieutenant Governor for the Commonwealth; a Secretary; a Treasurer and Receiver General; an Auditor and an Attorney General for the Commonwealth; a Senator in Congress; a Representative in Congress Fourteenth Congressional District; a Councillor for the First Councillor District; a Senator for the First Bristol Senatorial District; a Representative in General Court, Second Bristol Representative District; a District Attorney Southern District; a Register of Probate and Insolvency for Bristol County; a County Commissioner for Bristol County, and a County Treasurer for Bristol County

Also to vote "Yes" and "No" on the following questions:

Question No. 1—Law Proposed by Initiative Petition.

Shall the proposed measure which provides that the present statutes which make it a crime punishable by fine or imprisonment knowingly to advertise, print, publish, distribute or circulate any matter containing reference to any person from whom or place where any drug, instrument or means whatever or and advice or information may be obtained for the purpose of preventing pregnancy, or to sell, lend, give away, exhibit, offer or advertise any drug, medicine, instrument or other article for the prevention of conception, or to write or print information of any kind stating

when, where, how, of whom, or by what means such article can be obtained, or to manufacture or make such article, shall not apply to treatment or prescription given to married persons for protection of life or health by or under the direction of registered physicians, nor to teaching in chartered medical schools nor to publication or sale of 'medical treatises or journals, which was disapproved by the House of Representatives by vote of 77 in the affirmative and 133 in the negative, and in the Senate by a vote of 16 in the affirmative and 18 in the negative, be approved?"

Question No. 2: To obtain a full expression of opinion, voters should vote on all three of the following questions:

1.—Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whiskey, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all other alcoholic beverages)?

2.—Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer, ale and all other malt beverages)?

3.—Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises?

Question No. 3: (1) Shall the pari mutuel system of betting on licensed horse races be permitted in this county?

(2) Shall the pari mutuel system of betting on licensed dog races be permitted in this county?

All votes for candidates and on the questions are to be upon one ballot. The polls will be open at 10 o'clock A. M. and may be closed at eight o'clock P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies of the body of the same at each of the public places in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting. Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the selectmen at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this 24th day of October, A. D. 1942.

VINTON I. REYNOLDS,
JOHN G. ADAIR,
JOHN B. SCOTT,

Selectmen of Norton

Norton, November 3, 1942

I have served the above Warrant by posting attested copies at each of the public meeting houses and at least three other places within the limits of said town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

FRANK A. CLAPP,

Constable of Norton

RECORD OF STATE ELECTION

NOVEMBER 3, 1942

The polls were opened at 10 o'clock A. M. with the following set up:

Presiding Officer, John B. Scott; constable, Frank A. Clapp; ballot clerks, Arlene Plunkett and Lena Whitaker; tellers, Arthur Wood, Arthur Freeman, Gertrude Smith, Lewis Rubin, Cleveland Briggs, William Fales, Benedict Yelle, Ralph Clapp, Royden Scott, Percy Hinds, Henry Robbins, Turner Litchfield, Myron Briggs.

Voting continued until 8 o'clock P. M., the time limit specified by General Law, when 943 votes were recorded. The tabulation was completed and the results announced at 12 midnight, and were as follows:

GOVERNOR:

Roger L. Putnam of Springfield, Democratic,	221
Leverett Saltonstall of Newton, Republican,	694
Henning A. Blomen of Cambridge, So. Labor,	2
Otis A. Hood of Boston, Communist,	1
Joseph Massidda of Swampscott, Socialist,	0
Guy S. Williams of Worcester, Prohibition,	0
McMasters,	4
Blanks,	21

Total,	943
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LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR:

Horace T. Cahill of Braintree, Republican,	671
John C. Carr of Medford, Democratic,	231
Walter S. Hutchins of Greenfield, Socialist,	1
George L. McGlynn of Springfield, Soc. Labor,	0
E. Frank Searle of Lawrence, Prohibition	3
McMasters,	1
Blanks,	36

Total, 943

SECRETARY:

Joseph J. Buckley of Boston, Democratic,	230
Frederic W Cook of Somerville, Republican,	654
Bernard G. Kelly of Springfield, Soc. Labor,	1
Abbie L. Tebbets of Waltham, Prohibition,	8
Peter Wartianinen, Jr., of Westminster, Socialist,	1
Blanks,	49

Total, 943

TREASURER:

Laurence Curtis of Boston, Republican,	634
Francis X. Hurley of Boston, Democratic,	262
Martin E. Greer of Boston, Prohibition,	4
Gote Elvel Palmquist of Boston, Soc. Labor,	0
Anders H. Swenson of Greenfield, Socialist,	5
Blanks,	38

Total, 943

AUDITOR:

Thomas J. Buckley of Boston, Democratic,	248
Russell A. Wood of Cambridge, Republican,	625
Herbert Crabtree of Holyoke, Soc. Labor,	0
Ethel J. Prince of Danvers, Prohibition,	2
Blanks,	68

Total, 943

ATTORNEY GENERAL:

James E. Agnew of Boston, Democratic,	208
Robert T. Bushnell of Newton, Republican,	664
Charles F. Danforth of Newton, Prohibition,	5
Fred E. Oelcher of Peabody, Soc. Labor,	1
Howard Penley of Boston, Socialist,	1

Blanks,	64
Total,	943

SENATOR IN CONGRESS:

Joseph E. Casey of Clinton, Democratic,	268
Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., of Beverly, Republican,	636
Roger I. Hillis of Saugus, Soc, Labor,	4
George L. Paine of Cambridge, Socialist,	0
George L. Thompson of Randolph, Prohibition,	2
Blanks,	33
Total,	943

CONGRESSMAN FOURTEENTH DISTRICT:

Terrance J. Lomax, Jr., of Fall River, Democratic,	266
Joseph William Martin, Jr., of North Attleboro, Republican,	643
Blanks,	34
Total,	943

COUNCILLOR FIRST DISTRICT:

Clarence A. Barnes of Mansfield, Republican,	649
Joseph P. Clarke, Jr., of Fall River, Democratic,	220
Blanks,	74
Total,	943

SENATOR FIRST BRISTOL DISTRICT:

Jarvis Hunt of North Attleborough, Republican,	698
John L. Mastromarino of Taunton, Democratic,	184
Blanks,	61
Total,	943

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

SECOND BRISTOL DISTRICT:

William P. McDermott of Mansfield, Republican,	478
Vinton I. Reynolds of Norton, Democratic,	435
Blanks,	30
Total,	943

DISTRICT ATTORNEY SOUTHERN DISTRICT:

William C. Crossley of Fall River, Republican,	775
Blanks,	168

Total,	943
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REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY

BRISTOL COUNTY:

James B. Kelley, Jr., of Fall River, Democratic- Republican,	692
Blanks,	251

Total,	943
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COUNTY COMMISSIONER BRISTOL COUNTY:

Timothy A. Lovett of Fall River, Democratic,	244
Douglas J. Richardson of Fall River, Republican,	629
Blanks,	70

Total,	943
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COUNTY TREASURER BRISTOL COUNTY:

Ernest W. Kilroy of Fall River, Democratic,	242
Esther Kingman of Taunton, Republican,	604
Blanks,	97

Total,	943
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QUESTION No. 1—Law Proposed by Initiative Petition.
(Physicians' Medical Rights):

"Yes,"	393
"No,"	341
Blanks,	209

Total,	943
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QUESTION No. 1 on Liquor Licenses:

"Yes,"	513
"No,"	329

QUESTION No. 2 on Liquor Licenses:

"Yes,"	524
"No,"	288

QUESTION No. 3 on Liquor Licenses:

"Yes,"	524
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"No,"	265
Blanks,	386
QUESTION No. 1 Licensed Horse Racing Betting:	
"Yes,"	479
"No,"	343
QUESTION No. 2 Licensed Dog Racing Betting:	
"Yes,"	454
"No,"	354
Blanks,	256

GEORGE E. SMITH, Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR A SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

DECEMBER 3, 1942

Bristol, ss.

To Frank A. Clapp, or either of the Constables of the Town
of Norton, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Norton to meet in the town hall in said Norton on Thursday the third day of December, 1942, at eight o'clock P. M., then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate an additional sum of money for the Department of Public Welfare for Old Age Assistance and determine whether said appropriation shall be provided for by the transfer from available funds in the treasury, or take any action in relation thereto.

Art. 2. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair and redecorate the laboratory room in the high school and determine whether said appropriation shall be provided for by transfer from available funds in the treasury. or take any action in relation thereto.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to authorize the school committee to establish and maintain state aided vocational education in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 74, General Laws, and Acts amendatory thereto, or dependent thereon, and further authorize the transfer of funds, to the amount of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) appropriated for the support of the public schools for the fiscal year of 1942 to be used for the purpose of financing the vocational education program.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies of the body of the same at each of the public meeting houses and at least three other public places in said town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant to the Clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-first day of November in the year one thousand nine hundred forty-two.

VINTON I. REYNOLDS,
JOHN B. SCOTT,
JOHN G. ADAIR,

Selectmen of Norton

Norton, December 3, 1942

I have served the above Warrant by posting attested copies at each of the public meeting houses, and at least three other places within the limits of said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

FRANK A. CLAPP, Constable of Norton

RECORD OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

DECEMBER 3, 1942

About thirty-five voters attended this meeting and the Warrant was read by Moderator Reynolds. The articles were taken up in order and on each, motion was made by

John B. Scott and duly seconded and voted in the affirmative without opposition.

Article 1. Moved and voted that the sum of two thousand and two hundred fifty dollars be appropriated for the purpose of Old Age Assistance and that this money be obtained from the following sources by means of transfers:

\$1,000 from Aid to Dependent Children.

500 from Welfare appropriation.

50 from Welfare administration.

700 from Excess and Deficiency funds.

Art. 2. Moved and voted that \$230.85 be appropriated to repair and redecorate the laboratory room in the high school and that this sum be transferred from excess and deficiency funds.

Art. 3. Moved and voted that the town authorize the school committee to establish and maintain State Aided Vocational education in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 74 General Laws and Acts amendatory thereto or dependent thereon, and further permit the transfer of funds to the amount of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) appropriated for the support of public schools for the fiscal year of 1942 to be used for the purpose of financing the vocational education program.

At the conclusion of the business, and before adjournment, Philip A. Gavin arose to inquire why postal cards had been sent by the selectmen to a number of voters notifying them of the special meeting. Mr. Gavin called to the moderator's attention that the by-law as approved by the Attorney General and now incorporated with other town by-laws did not require the expense of sending postals.

The moderator attempted an explanation but at a suggestion from Lewis Rubin that the discussion had no bearing on the business in hand, the matter was dropped. The meeting then adjourned.

Preceding the meeting, those present arose and stood for a moment in honor of those of our citizens who are in the service of our country.

GEORGE E. SMITH, Town Clerk

DOGS LICENSED IN NORTON, 1942

	M	F	S		M	F	S
Adair, Charles R.	...	1	...	Benaski, Doris	1	...	...
Adair, J. Russell	1	...	1	Baker, Robert	1	...	...
Alpert, Samuel	1	...	...	Bellavance, Ernest	1	...	...
Anderson, Einar	1	...	...	Bellavance, Roland	1	...	1
Armstrong, Catherine	1	...	...	Bonney, Norman	1	...	...
Ash, Charles P.	1	...	...	Baker, C. F.	2	...	...
Abramhamson, Gustave	1	...	...	Brown, Richard	1	...	...
Allen, Joseph	1	...	...	Brown, Everett	1	...	...
Andrews, George	...	1	...				
Anderson, Robert	1	...	...	Catelli, Leon	2	...	...
Alger, Natalie	1	...	...	Chace, Chester	...	...	1
Ashley, Winthrop	Kennel			Clapp, Charles	1	...	...
Atwood, Eleazer E.	1	...	...	Clapp, Charles	1	...	...
Abbot, Ada	1	...	...	Clapp, Louise	...	1	...
Alves, John C.	1	...	...	Curtis, John	1	...	...
				Cail, James	1	...	...
Balfour, L. G.	3	...	...	Carr, Russell,	...	1	...
Barratt, Grace	1	...	...	Collins, Kenneth	1	...	...
Bauza, John	2	...	...	Crowshaw, Joseph	1	...	...
Bliss, Winthrop	...	...	...	Curren, Thomas	1	...	...
Bliss, Flora	1	...	...	Cabana, Ephraim	1	...	...
Brasier, Delo	...	1	...	Cabisius, Bernard	1	...	...
Blanding, Edward	...	...	1	Choptovy, Mike	...	1	...
Becker, E. Clifton	1	...	...	Claffin, Fred	1	...	...
Bolton, Ethel	1	...	...	Clarke, Dr. Elmer	1	1	...
Boutilier, Donald	1	...	...	Connolly, John	1	...	...
Bowlin, Josiah	...	...	1	Clapp, Frank	...	1	...
Britton, Adelbert	1	...	...	Cabisius, Carl	1	...	...
Bellavance, Oscar	1	...	...	Catelli, Ernest	1	...	...
Bellavance, Mae	1	...	...				
Bleete, Peter	...	1	...	Davis, Dr. Clarence N.	...	1	...
Brooks, Roy	2	1	...	Danforth, Albert	1	...	...
Brown, Armand	...	...	1	Dawson, Fred	1	...	...
Brown, Oliver	...	1	...	DeCoff, James	1	...	...
Burgess, Lees	1	...	...	Dahlberg, Carl	1	...	1
Butler, Joseph	1	...	...	Davien, Flora	1	...	...
Bradstreet, Esther	...	...	1	Devlin, Patrick	1	...	...
Bernheimer, Paul	2	...	...	Dion, Henry	1	...	...

	M	F	S		M	F	S
Dion, Paul	1	...	...	Gonsalves, Samuel	...		1
Dorr, Marshall	1	...	...	Gredler, Rev. Hazel	1	...	...
Dorr, Winthrop	...	...	1	Gorman, Arthur P.	...	...	1
Downey, Rev. James A.	1	...	...	Griffin, Parick	1	...	...
Dumont, John	1	...	...	Gorman, Napoleon	1	...	...
Dupuis, Fred	...	...	1	Guevremont, Angeline	1	...	...
Dorr, Irving	...	...	1	Gunner, Kenneth	1	...	...
Davis, Harold	1	...	...	Gavin, Helen	...	1	...
Doherty, Harry	1	...	...				
Doherty, Lena	1	...	...	Hicks, Elbert	1	...	...
Duissa, John	1	...	...	Harnden, Herbert	...	1	...
Dion, Victoria	1	...	...	Harnden, James	1	...	...
				Hathaway, George	...	...	1
Eddy, Carrie	...	1	...	Hill, Wiano	1	...	...
Eddy, Milton	1	...	...	Holmes, Lester	...	...	1
				Hobson, Jack	...	...	1
Facey, Daniel	...	1	...	Hatch, Percival	1	...	...
Fernandes, Jose	1	...	...	Hardy, Joseph	2	...	...
Fitzgerald, Joseph E.	1	...	...	Harrington, Cornelius	...	...	1
Fitzgerald, John	1	...	...	Haskell, Alonzo	...	1	...
Fitzgerald, Maurice	1	...	...	Hixon, Laurence	...	...	1
Foster, Alton	1	...	...	Howard, Marjorie	1	...	...
Foster, Andrew	1	...	...	Henderson, Lucy,	...	...	1
Fletcher, Charles C.	...	...	1	Hovey, Alice	1	...	...
Farrell, John B.	1	...	...	Hogan, John	...	...	1
Foster, Howard	1	...	...	Hubbard, Genevieve	1	...	...
				Hyland, Edward	1	...	...
Gagne, Wilfred	1	...	...	Holmes, Lillian	...	...	1
Gardner, Walter	2	...	...	Hardy, Thomas	1	...	...
Garrity, John	1	...	...	Henning, Charles	1	...	...
Garrity, Donald	1	...	...				
Gay, Lloyd	1	...	...	Jewell, G. Bernard	1	...	...
Gay, Walter	1	...	...	Johnson, William C.	1	...	...
Gonsalves, Peter	1	...	...	Jones, William B.	...	...	1
Gorman, Joseph	1	...	...	Jennings, Herbert	...	1	...
Gould, Frederick	...	...	1	Jewett, Herbert	1	...	...
Grund, Alfred	...	...	1	Jones, Charles O.	...	1	...
Gardner, Sheldon	1	...	...	Jillson, Marguerite	1	...	...
Ghio, Henry	1	...	...	Johnson, Mason	1	...	...
Goff, Charlotte	1	...	...				
Gonsalves, Dominic	1	...	...	Knapton, Ernest	1	...	...
Gould, Douglas	...	...	1	Kanter, Marion	1	...	...

	M	F	S		M	F	S
Kelley, Edward	1	...	...	Metters, J. William	1	...	...
Kenniston, Charles	2	...	...	Monk, Frank	3	1	...
Keough, Edward	1	...	...	Moreau, Thomas	...	1	...
King, Homer	1	...	...	Murray, Lane	1	...	...
Kilburn, Winford	...	...	1	McCaffrey, Dr. Jerome	1	...	...
				Murphy, David	1	...	...
Lavallee, Edna	...	1	...	MacKinley, Roy F.	1	...	...
Leonard, Everett	...	1	...	McHugh, Fred	...	...	1
Larson, Albert	1	...	...	Mowry, Harold	...	...	1
Lawrence, Helen,	2	...	...	Martin, Riga	1	...	...
Lehr, Eugene	1	...	...	Miller, Louise S.	1	...	...
Leonard, A. Lincoln	1	1	...				
Leonard, Irving	...	...	1	Nesbit, George	...	...	1
Lincoln, Mrs. Charlotte	...	...	1	Nourse, Laurence	1	...	...
Lincoln, Fred O.	1	...	...	Nowell, Robert S.	1	...	...
LaCasse, Raymond	1	...	...	Patenaude, Nelson J.	1	...	...
LaChappelle, W. Robert	...	...	1	Peaslee, Floyd	1	...	...
Leroux, Herman	2	...	...	Phillips, Fred	2	...	...
Lincoln, Willie	...	...	1	Pike, Eugene	1	...	...
Lampi, William	1	...	...	Packer, Lloyd	1	...	...
Lorenzi, Enrico	1	...	...	Perry, Frank	1	1	...
Legacy, Albert	1	...	...	Perry, Christy	1	...	...
Leonard, Henry	1	...	...	Poudrier, Alfred	1	...	...
Lampron, Edna	1	...	...	Pelletier, Albert	1	...	...
Leonard, Beatrice	1	...	...	Parker, Andrew	...	...	1
				Pritchard, George	1	...	...
MacPherson, Donald	1	...	...	Paddock, Herbert	1	...	...
Miner, Joseph	1	...	...	Paquette, George Jr.	1	...	...
Moquin, Henry J.	...	1	...	Paquette, Laurier	1	...	...
McMurrough, John	...		1	Perry, Milton	1	...	...
Miller, Fred	1	...	...	Paradis, Henry F.	1	...	...
Morgan, John	1	...	...	Parker, Thomas	1	...	...
MacDonald, Margaret	...	...	1	Patriquin, Herbert	1	...	...
Murphy, Francis	1	...	...				
Monterio, Manuel	1	...	...	Reuben, Mary	1	...	...
Mondor, George	1	...	...	Richards, Howard	1	...	...
MacFarlan, John	2	...	...	Runge, Diedrich	2	...	...
Maderios, Antonio	1	...	...	Radnor, Andrew	...	...	1
Mahar, Adolphus	...	...	1	Radnor, William	2	1	...
Marvel, Edward	...	1	...	Richmond, Arthur	...	...	1
Maslak, William	2	...	...	Roberts, Edward T.	1	...	...
McGrath, Mae	...	...	1	Rondeau, Joseph	2	...	...

	M	F	S		M	F	S
Roy, Neree	1	...	...	Schurman, F. C.	1	...	...
Rubin, Joseph	1	...	...				
Russell, Harold	...	...	1	Thomae, Charles	Kennel		
Rich, James	1	...	...	Texeira, John	1	...	...
Reynolds, Clifford	1	...	...	Thomase, Gaetano	1	...	...
Ridgeway, Jesse	...	...	1	Techeria, Alexander	1	...	...
Robinson, Mae	...	...	1	Traviss, George J.	1	...	...
Riberio, August	1	...	...	Tetlow, John	1	...	...
Richmond, George W.	1	...	...	Thomas, Samuel	1	...	...
Reagan, Charles J.	...	...	1	Trimble, William	...	...	1
Rand, Hollis Jr.	1	...	...	Tribou, Marion-Chas.	2	...	...
				Thompson, A. A.	1	...	...
Santos, Joseph	1	...	...	Teixeira, Frank	1	...	...
Stepanik, Peter	1	...	...	Thomas, James	1	...	...
Sibley, Alfred	1	...	...	Tokas Joe	1	...	...
Scott, Hugh	1	...	...				
Shaw, George	...	...	1	Ulmer, John	...	...	1
Simmons, Homer	1	...	...				
Sinclair, John	...	...	1	Valquette, Oscar	2	...	...
Smith, Herbert	...	...	1	Valette, John	1	...	...
Spatcher, Carlton	1	...	...				
Sprague, Alden F.	1	...	...	Waite, Burton	...	...	1
Stenfeldt, Magnus	1	...	...	Wood, Ethel	...	...	1
Stenstrom, Robert	2	1	...	Walker, Robert Jr.	1	...	...
Stoddard, Norman	1	...	...	White, Oliver	1	...	...
Schmidt, Alexander	1	...	...	Wheeler, Helen	...	...	1
Scott, Charles H.	...	...	1	Winters, Herbert	...	1	...
Shaw, John C.	1	...	...	Winters, David	2	...	...
Souza, Frank	1	...	...	Waterman, Leslie	1	...	...
Spencer, Elwood	1	...	...	Webber, George J.	1	...	...
Spencer, Burnett	1	...	...	White, Albert	1	...	...
Stanley, Maud	...	...	2	White, Vernon	1	2	...
Stanley, Richard	...	...	1	Wilson, Harry S.	...	1	...
Syjatz, Ernest	1	...	...	Woodward, Albert Jr.	1	...	...
Shaw, M. Alice	...	...	1	Woodward, Carlton Jr.	1	...	...
Smith, Grace	...	...	1	Woodward, Edith	1	1	2
Stearns, Leroy	1	...	...	Woodward, Harold S.	1	...	...
Scanlon, Benjamin B.	1	...	...	Warchal, Leon	1	...	...
Sprague, Ernest	...	...	1	Watson, Albert	1	...	...
Simmons, John B.	2	...	...	Whitaker, Sidney	1	...	...
Scoullar, Arthur	1	...	...	Wood, Ernest	...	...	1
Silvia, Ben	1	...	...	Wiswall, Norman	1	...	...

	M	F	S		M	F	S
Williams, Walter S.	1	...	...	Yelle, Wilfred	...	...	1
				Young, Robert	...	...	1
				Males,			254
				Females,			34
				Spayed,			65
				Total,			353

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MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1942

Date	Name	Address
Jan. 1	E. Francis Lemaire	Norton, Mass.
	Myrtle A. Bowlin	Norton, Mass.
3	Anthony S. Bragall	Norton, Mass.
	Delinda G. Delgado	Norton, Mass.
13	Edwin Till	Norton, Mass.
	Lucie Richmond	Norton, Mass.
31	John K. Packer	Attleboro, Mass.
	Marion Seymour	Norton, Mass.
Feb. 7	Stanley A. Haskell	Norton, Mass.
	Dorothy L. Bugbee	Attleboro Falls, Mass.
7	Frank Todorsky	Norton, Mass.
	Joanna Bak	Taunton, Mass.
9	Melvin H. Benson	Attleboro, Mass.
	Marion I. Gagne	Norton, Mass.
9	Arthur J. Charette	Norton, Mass.
	Evangeline V. Bilodeau	Taunton, Mass.
11	Robert I. Duffell	Valley Falls, R. I.
	Mildred V. Doyle	Providence, R. I.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1942—Continued

Date	Name	Address
13	Carlton M. Singleton Elizabeth P. Weatherbee	Providence, R. I. Plainville, Mass.
14	Leonard Silvia Hilda C. Teixeira	Taunton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
21	Robert L. Cushing Elizabeth D. Smith	Middleboro, Mass. Middleboro, Mass.
Mar. 3	Howard W. Tolman Hilda A. Pedro	Taunton, Mass. Plymouth, Mass.
4	Arthur Elman Gladys Hudson	Providence, R. I. Providence, R. I.
6	Vincent J. Falso Helen Morrone	Providence, R. I. Providence, R. I.
7	Walter Bragg Rita MacAulay	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
21	Walter Ripley Lillian R. Provost	Mansfield, Mass. Bridgewater, Mass.
21	Charles R. Adair Almira A. Henning	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
21	David S. Murphy Dorothy P. White	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
21	Charles F. Bennett Gertrude Tierney	Providence, R. I. Providence, R. I.
23	Fred C. Cotton Shirley White	Long Beach, Calif. Norton, Mass.
April 1	William Levy Deborah Ingram	Providence, R. I. Brooklyn, N. Y.
11	Isadore Dragon Ida Lovell	Johnston, R. I. Providence, R. I.
11	Kenneth E. Schneider Marion D. Brasier	Attleboro, Mass. Norton, Mass.
18	John A. Pardey, Jr. Doris A. Gould	Attleboro, Mass. New Bedford, Mass.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1942—Continued

Date	Name	Address
May 2	George S. Nixon Ramona E. Brasier,	Attleboro, Mass. Norton, Mass
9	Gerard J. Precourt Virginia E. Cataloni	Norton, Mass. Mansfield, Mass.
10	Dennis J. Walsh Anna C. Fitzgerald	Providence, R. I. Providence, R. I.
11	Robert E. Copeland Katherine Cumiskey	Taunton, Mass. Taunton, Mass.
14	Arthur T. Sturdy, Jr. Isetta Kinney	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
14	James W. Harnden Ethel L. Macomber	Norton, Mass. Mansfield, Mass.
29	Clifford R. Pike Ruth Barnes	Norton, Mass. Mansfield, Mass.
31	Frank Lopresti Catherine Tomase	Boston, Mass. Norton, Mass.
June 6	George A. Robinson Anne Ciriello	Mansfield, Mass. Mansfield, Mass.
6	George W. Carruthers Virginia Carnie	Norton, Mass. Mansfield, Mass.
13	Arthur Caranci Beatrice Choptovy	Providence, R. I. Norton, Mass.
20	Manuel August Ebe Donnini	Norton, Mass. Manville, R. I.
26	Morrille S. Ryder, Jr. Georgina Horton	Middleboro, Mass. Taunton, Mass.
27	Norman W. Estabrooks Gertrude K. Woodward	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
27	Horace C. Woodward Arlene L. West	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1942—Continued

Date	Name	Address
30	Edward F. Moquin Theresa LeVesque	Norton, Mass. Taunton, Mass.
July 4	Thomas F. Dolan Doris G. Leonard	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
7	Henry E. Hanson Bertha Todaro	Foxboro, Mass. Norton, Mass.
8	Joseph P. Martin Grace Chandler	North Attleboro Norton, Mass.
11	James Enos Mary Lopes	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
17	Joseph Pezzullo Mary Gregory	Providence, R. I. Providence, R. I.
20	Wilbur L. Weldon Helen J. Daveau	Coral Gables, Fla. Norton, Mass.
22	Charles W. Barnett Dorothy I. Valentine	Des Moines, Ia. Norton, Mass.
25	Alfred C. Gagne Evelyn Santos	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
27	Charles Videto, Jr. Julia Warchal	Attleboro, Mass. Norton, Mass.
31	Arthur Gaspar Zita Martin	Pawtucket, R. I. Central Falls, R. I.
Aug. 1	Luther F. Fehr Barbara J. Martin	Providence, R. I. Norton, Mass.
1	Hugh W. Toohey Dora E. Benz	Mansfield, Mass. Mansfield, Mass.
4	John Oresto Auriemma Rose Thibeault	Providence, R. I. Providence, R. I.
15	Raymond Broomhead Ida Garceau	Taunton, Mass. Taunton, Mass.
Sept. 4	James R. Carson Katherine Chappell	Providence, R. I. Providence, R. I.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1942—Continued

Date	Name	Address
9	Henry J. Sousa	Norton, Mass.
	Lucille H. DeMaranville	Norton, Mass.
16	Herman Lopez	Osterville, Mass.
	Marion E. Andrews	Norton, Mass.
19	Vincent Dankoski	Valley Falls, R. I.
	Madeline Marshall	Norton, Mass.
29	Joseph L. Allen	North Attleboro, Mass.
	Florence R. Dorothy	Norton, Mass.
Oct. 2	Donald F. Wiley	Norton, Mass.
	Ethel I. Smith	Attleboro, Mass.
4	Ernest A. Runzo	Norton, Mass.
	Mona E. Ramsdell	Norton, Mass.
10	Carl I. Anderson	Norton, Mass.
	Florence M. MacAulay	Norton, Mass.
17	Joseph Cecero	Providence, R. I.
	Mary Santangelo	Providence, R. I.
18	Clifford E. Reynolds	Norton, Mass.
	Eleanor S. Parks	Norton, Mass.
24	John J. Madeiros	Fall River, Mass.
	Angelina C. Cabral	Norton, Mass.
Nov. 7	Arthur C. Lane	Norton, Mass.
	Anna J. Frankus	Worcester, Mass.
14	George S. Hall	Raynham, Mass.
	Althea Woodward	Norton, Mass.
26	Arthur J. Bellavance	Norton, Mass.
	Louise Y. Bilodeau	Taunton, Mass.
28	Peter Mazzone	Cleveland, Ohio
	Bernice Gilbert	Taunton, Mass.
28	Harley H. Long	Attleboro, Mass.
	Ruth M. Russell	Norton, Mass.
Dec. 1	Edward J. Bean	Pawtucket, R. I.
	Florence Trudell	Pawtucket, R. I.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1942—Continued

Date	Name	Address
7	Rene Aubuchon Evelyn Johnson	Central Falls, R. I. Providence, R. I.
9	Rosario Burfarelli Viola McAuley	Mansfield, Mass. Norton, Mass.
21	Manuel Robello F. Dorothea Williams	Cotuit, Mass. Norton, Mass.
25	William E. Jette Natalie E. White	Norton, Mass. Norton, Mass.
26	John C. Porter Grace E. Tribou	Pawtucket, R. I. Norton, Mass.

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DEATHS

RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF NORTON FOR THE YEAR 1942

Date	Name	Y	M	D
Jan. 11	Cassie S. Fernald	78	8	2
14	Randolph Allen Greene	76	7	29
19	George Bradford Clements	54	6	7
Feb. 18	Esther Dreizen Kovetsky	85	.....	.....
18	Charles E. Whitman	88	.....	.....
20	Stillborn	.....	.....	.....
21	Henry F. Gibbs	81	11	21
Mar. 2	Hilda Villiers Reynolds	40	5	13
3	Edward John O'Connor	53	.....	.....
13	Clara J. Tetlow	73	6	21
April 8	Annie Troy	51	.....	.....
10	Stillborn	.....	.....	.....
12	Matilda Turner Rollins	67	8	26
15	Emily Azevido	1	6	21
24	Charlotte Elizabeth Carver	91	.....	4

DEATHS RECORDED IN 1942—Continued

Date	Name	Y	M	D
26	Frederick A. Wiswall	59	8	29
May 1	Eleanor Mary Yelle	27	4	27
21	Anna M. Bellavance	47	.....	.....
June 2	Emma M. Collette	67	.....	.....
5	Stillborn	.....	.....	.....
26	Edwin B. Wetherell	94	8	14
July 5	Benjamin Henry Nesbit	81	5	12
23	Willie S. Lincoln	72	.....	.....
24	Laura May Cochrane	75	10	4
24	John Gonsalves	62	.....	.....
30	Wilfred J. Yelle	34	1	29
Aug. 15	Murvin Silas Leonard	77	.....	1
Sept. 2	Jonathan Minot Alexander	78	1	15
5	Daniel Henry Rogers	52	.....	.....
17	Andrew Hill	68	1	16
25	Gordon William Blum	.....	1	12
29	Jessie Little Whitaker	56	3	22
Oct. 5	John Hardy Sinclair	65	4	20
23	Jeffrey, Edward Schissler	.....	.....	18
28	Clifford G. DeCoff,	62	1	9
Nov. 6	Edward Kelly	77	6	19
12	Etta E. Booth	90	7	22
18	Ida E. Harvey	80	5	23
Dec. 5	Horace F. Sweet	72	1	6
11	Ernest John Syjatz	75	.....	16
15	Robert M. Davidson	68	.....	.....
18	Walter Scott Williams	70	.....	6
20	Alfred Wilmot Sibley	66	0	20
23	Henrietta Morgan	73	2	17
25	Greenwood P. Eaton	84	7	3
31	Jonathan Clifford Pratt	63	2	8

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BIRTHS

RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF NORTON FOR THE YEAR 1942

Date	Name of Child	Sex	Name of Parents
Jan 11	Jean Alma Field	F	Howard and Barbara (Carnie) Field
13	Carol Ann Constance Lajoie	F	Omer and Louise (Beaulieu) Lajoie
17	Everett Russell Courchine	M	Oscar J. and Harriet (Dingle) Courchine
20	David Lowell Gunner	M	Kenneth L. and Barbara (Bolster) Gunner
23	 Fowler	F	Frederick L. & Thelma (MacKenzie) Fowler
Feb. 5	Michael Radevicz, Jr.	M	Michael and Stephanie (Pencek) Radevicz
16	Joan Alice LaPlante	F	Wilfred and Ruth (Swift) LaPlante
20	Patricia Ann Janelle	F	Philip and Catherine (Nesbit) Janelle
20	Stillborn	M	.....
26	Patricia Ann Drew	F	Kenneth and Jeannette (Pidgeon) Drew
28	Ruth Kingsley Lawrence	F	Ralph K. and Elza (Brahoney) Lawrence
Mar. 7	Doris Marien	F	Albert J. and Evelyn (Weeman) Marien
16	Clara Gomes-Rei	F	Manuel and Augusta (Texeira) Rei
18	Sandra Lee Pritchard	F	George J. and Marion (King) Pritchard
26	Beverly Rebecca Carey	F	Lawrence and Beverly (Edwards) Carey
28	Donald Douglas Dion	M	Victor and Marjorie (Henning) Dion
April 3	Harry Theodore Parker	M	Thomas A. and Maude (Robbins) Parker
9	Stillborn	F	.....
10	Ronald Richmond Paille	M	Raoul J. and Elizabeth (Richmond) Paille
13	Patricia Carol Casey	F	Maurice and Julia (Gefis) Casey
24	Peter Marden Martell	M	Louis A. and Elizabeth (Marden) Martell

BIRTHS—Continued

Date	Name of Child	Sex	Name of Parents
27	Ronald William Owen	M	William and Viola (Pittsley) Owen
28	Rhoda Virginia Reinhard	F	Laurence and Mildred (Canham) Reinhard
May 1	Wilfred Joseph Yelle	M	Wilfred J. and Mary E. (Hollertz) Yelle
15	Eleanor Mansi	F	Mathew and Anne (DePero) Mansi
21	David Benjamin Rich	M	David B. and Marion (Roy) Rich
27	John Ellery Briggs	M	Stanley D. and Florence (Bellavance) Briggs
31	Roger Omer Jette	M	Omer R. and Lucy (Benson) Jette
June 3	Shirley Ann Andrade	F	Anthony and Phyllis (Gonsalves) Andrade
5	 Hamilton	M	Frank and Anna (Fallon) Hamilton
7	Sandra Elaine Swan	F	Frederick and Veronica (Harper) Swan
7	Sandra Lee Madeiros	F	Antonio and Laura Madeiros
14	James Murray Becker	M	Sarell W. and Ruth (Lincoln) Becker
22	William Burton Waite	M	David and Marjorie (Peck) Waite
28	James Malcolm Pelletier	M	George A. and Margaret (Rockford) Pelletier
July 7	Paula Marie Farley	F	J. Ferley and Doris R. (Bristol) Farley
10	Judith Ann Langton	F	Lester E. and Leah M. (Bouchard) Langton
12	Robert Theago Gomes Rei	M	Theago and Maria (Gonsalves) Rei
18	Mary Elaine MacKinley	F	Roy F. and Marjorie (McDonald) MacKinley
21	Ronald Leo Bernard	M	Leo H. and Angelina (Santos) Bernard
26	Anthony Thomase	M	Rosario C. and Mary P. (Ricco) Tomase
Aug. 4	Elaine Ann Gagne	F	Cyrille J. and Yvonne A. (Marien) Gagne
13	Gordon William Blum	M	Gordon H. and Frances A. (Collins) Blum
24	Sally Robbins	F	Henry W. and Mary (Freeman) Robbins

BIRTHS—Continued

Date	Name of Child	Sex	Name of Parents
27	Evelyn Cloos	F	William and Violet (Valkinburg) Cloos
30	Linda Claire Chace	F	Carl A. and Virginia A. (Brackett) Chace
Sept. 18	Nancy Cylinda Metters	F	Walter E. and Edythe (Walker) Metters
19	Conrad Ashley Briggs	M	Ernest E. and Ida (Burgess) Briggs
27	 McCaffrey	M	Richard T. and Katherine (Walsh) McCaffrey
Oct. 3	Jeffrey Edward Schissler	M	Edward T. and Dorothea (Grund) Schissler
16	Malcolm Nelson Haskell	M	Malcolm and Ruth (Bottomley) Haskell
22	Michael Stephen Finnemore	M	Ebben H. and Vera (Jones) Finnemore
22	Joseph Stephen Warchal	M	Stephen and Muriel (Hunt) Warchal
22	Gloria Jean Bragaul	F	Anthony and Delinda (Delgado) Bragaul
31	Kathleen Frances Shaw	F	Paul and Rosella (Bryant) Shaw
Nov. 2	Leonard Joseph Silvia	M	Leonard P. and Hilda (Teixeira) Silvia
2	Carol Ann Dion	F	Paul J. and Florence (Lavigne) Dion
7	Joan Carol Courbron	F	Armand and Yvonne (Flanagan) Courbon
7	Dorothy Corinne Spencer	F	Harold W. and Corinne (Brasier) Spencer
9	Joan Frances Duffany	F	Wilfred F. and Louise (Lucier) Duffany
19	Kenneth Warwick Nickerson	M	Walter J. and Helen (Kelsall) Nickerson
23	Steven Willem Dammers	M	Francis and Elisabeth Dammers
Dec. 2	Helen Luella Hecox	F	Richard M. and Marion (Johnson) Hecox
4	Richard Ralph Murtaugh	M	Ralph and Margaret (Brussa) Murtaugh
5	John Ronald Maurice Pimental	M	Frank J. and Alice (Fitzgerald) Pimental

BIRTHS—Continued

Date	Name of Child	Sex	Name of Parents
6	Paula Claire Henson	F	Charles G. and Cecile (Augette) Henson
12	Patricia Jean Fitzgerald	F	John and Margaret (Brenner) Fitzgerald
18	Clarence Paul Rich Jr.	M	Clarence and Virginia (Squadrilli) Rich
22	Jill LaGreca	F	Angelo and Ida (Doussa) LaGreca
22	Robert John Courbon	M	George and Dorothy (Pendleton) Courbron
29	Beverly Cnstance Bouchard	F	Arthur H. and Alveda (Amaral) Bouchard
30	Virginia Rosewayne Holmes	F	Hollis and Ethel (Dawson) Holmes

GEORGE E. SMITH, Town Clerk

MILK INSPECTOR'S REPORT FOR 1942

Number of cows,	352
Number of bulls,	15
Number of heifers,	70
Quantity of milk produced daily in Norton,	3356 Qts.
Quantity of milk consumed daily in Norton,	.1026 "
Number of milk licenses issued,	29

Distribution among cities and towns

Norton,	1026
Attleboro,	260
Brockton,	470
Mansfield,	340
Pawtucket,	400
Seekonk,	200
Taunton,	660
	3356

W. WALTER BECKER, Inspector

NORTON DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION

MEMBERSHIP LIST, 1942 - 1943

Adelstone, H.
 Aguiar, Tony
 Alexander, Jonathan
 Alger, Mrs. Milton O.
 Alger, Milton O.
 Alger, Natalie
 Allen, Mrs. Charles
 Allen, Frank G.
 Alpert, Samuel
 Alpert, Simpson
 Andrews, Marion

Andrews, Ora A.
 Angelo, V. D.
 Annis, Mrs. Hazel
 Anthony, J.
 Arena, S.
 Armstrong, Mrs. Fred
 Armstrong, Mrs. Theodore
 Ashley, W. A.
 Austin, Mrs. H. M.
 Austin, Miss Ruth
 Azevedo, Manuel

Azevedo, F.

Baker, Charles

Baker, Charles F.

Balfour, Mrs. L. G.

Banfill Mrs. Florence

Barack, Joseph

Barraclough, Charles

Barber, R. W.

Barker, Eleanor

Barney, E. M.

Barnes, E.

Barrows, W. H.

Bartley, Mrs. Ernest

Bassett, Mr. C. E.

Barratt, Grace

Baylies, C.

Beaman, Mrs. Isabel

Beaman, Tom

Beaudoin, A.

Beauvais, Raymond

Becker, Clifford

Becker, Walter

Bellavance, Avarice

Becker, Wilfred

Bellerose, Benjamin

Benaski, S.

Bennett, Charles

Bernheimer, P. E.

Bernier, G. R.

Bernier, Mrs. Ida

Bignell, Louis

Blanding, Edward L.

Blum, G.

Bliss, F.

Bliss, Mrs. Howard

Boas, Ralph

Bonney, Russell

Booth, Etta E.

Bottomley, Carl J.

Bottomley, Carol

Bradstreet, Esther

Brady, Maira

Brasier, Mrs. G.

Briggs, Mrs. M. T.

Briggs, Myron T.

Briggs, Stanley .

Brooks, Mrs Julia

Britton, John

Bruce, Mrs. C. O.

Bruce, C. O.

Buchler, M. R.

Buczak, Mrs. S.

Bullard, W. R.

Burgess, Mrs. Grace F.

Burns, Arnold

Butts, Chester S.

Cabanna, Mr. E.

Cabisius, B.

Cady, Mildred

Caffrey, Helen J.

Catelli, Leon

Cameron, Mrs. H.

Campbell, Marcus

Candage, Halsted

Carlson, Carl O.

Carruthers, George

Carruthers, Robert

Carruthers, Mrs. Samuel A.

Chappell, A.

Cheetham, Ann

Cheetham, Alice

Cheetham, K. N.

Clafin, Mrs. Fred

Clapp, Alfred W.

Clapp, Avery

Clapp, Mrs. Avery

Clapp, Charles M.

Clapp, Mrs. Charles M.

Clapp, Ethel M.

Clapp, Lucille

Clapp, Ralph F.

Clarke, Dr. E. W.

Clarke, Mrs. E. W.

Clarke, Mrs. Miriam

Clark, W. S.	Eddy, Mrs. Harry
Clements, Mrs. George	Eddleston, Mrs. Ruby
Cleveland, Ruth P.	Estes, Ralph
Cockcroft, Mrs. H.	
Codding, Mr. William	Fillmore, K.
Coelho, Arsenio V.	Findlater, Jean
Coombs, Adelaide	FitzGerald, Mrs. J. H.
Collette, Mrs. Donald	Fales, Bertram
Cope's Bottling Co.	Fales, Phyllis
Connors, Joseph E.	Fales, Raymond
Connors, J. J.	Fales, William
Costa, Dr. W. V.	Farr, Mrs. Ada N.
Coyle, Clara	Fernandes, Adelino
Crane, Delia	Fernandes' Market
Crowe, Mrs. H.	Flaherty, Ann
Crowshaw, Joseph	Flaherty, William
Cruff, Lester	Forbes, R. B.
Curran, Tom	Foster, H. A.
Curran, Mrs. Thomas	Foster, Mrs. H. A.
Curtis, Mrs. John	Foster, L.
Cutler, Mrs. Arthur	Foster, Mrs. L.
	Fournier, Mrs. Mary
Daggett, Hattie	Fowler, Mrs. Thelma
D'Ambrosio, V.	Freeman, Mrs. Arthur
Davis, Dr. C. N.	Freeman, Barbara
Davis, R.	Freeman, Charles
Dawson, Mrs. A.	Freeman, J. A.
Defiance Bleachery	Freeman, N. E.
Devine, Mrs. Ted	Frolic Club
Desormeaux Sr., Mrs. Geo. H.	Fuller, Mrs. George
Dion, Arthur	Fuller, George
Dorr, Irving	Gaffney, Joseph F.
Doty, Roland	Garceau, A.
Downey, Rev. J. A.	Gardner, Sheldon
Drane, Charles	Gardner, Walter L.
Draper, Mrs. Anne	Gavin, Carol
Draper, Mr. Carleton	Gavin, Mary
Ducharme, Joseph	Gavin, Phyllis
Duffany, Mrs. Wilfred	Gavin, Sally
Dumont, John	Gay, Walter
Dupuis, Fred	Gertz, Harold
Durgin, Mrs. Mabel	Gibbs, Mrs. Ralph
Dunham, Grace	Gifford, J. R.

Glynn, John
Gomes, Theago
Goold, Douglas
Gould, Mrs. Frederick
Graham, C. G.
Gredler, Mrs. H. R.
Greene, Mrs. H. L.
Grund, Alfred G.
Guevremont, Anne
Gulley, Elsie
Gunner, K. L.
Gwilliams, Edward

Hackett, Mrs. E.
Hackett, H.
Hagar, Clifton
Hall, Everett
Harnden, Chester
Harvey, Mrs. Walter
Haskell, Mrs. Bertha
Haskell, Frank
Haskell, William
Hassell, H.
Hatch, Frank
Hatch, Percy
Hazell, Mary
Healy, Walter
Helpard, John
Hemond, Ernest
Hidy, Ralph
Hill, Howard N.
Hinds, Percy
Hobson, Jack
Hogan, John
Holmes, Mrs. Hollis
Holmes, J. E.
Hood, H. P.
Hope, Roland
Howard, Fred
Hubbard, C. C.
Hubbard, Edith
Hulbert, Mathilda A.
Hunt, Mrs.

Hyland, Mr. John

Illingworth, Alice
Innis, Bert

Janes, Mrs. Rose
Jenks, Mrs. Charles
Jennings, H. C.
Jennings, Herbert
Jette, Omer
Jette, W. M.
Jewell, Mr. G. B.
Jewell, Mrs. G. B.
Jollson, Marguerite
Johnson, John A.
Jondroe, E.
Jordan, Mrs. Clarke

Kanter, Marion R.
Kelley, Mr. J. J.
Kellogg, Miss Roberta
Keyes, Alden Filmore
Kilburn, Mrs. May
King, Mrs. Adelord
Kingsley, Edward
Kingsley, M. E.
Knapton, E.
Knapton, Jocelyn
Knapton, Kathleen
Knapton, Winifred
Krall, Alfred
Kulick, J.

LaCasse, Raymond
Lamothe, Mrs. Adelbert
L'Amoureux, L. J.
Lane, Mrs. Alice D.
Lane, Homer L.
Lane, John
Larkin, Mary
LaRosee, Mrs. Harvey
Lawley, Mrs. F. R.
Lawrence, Ralph

Layton, Mrs. William
LeClaire, Mrs. Jane
Lehr, Mr. Eugene
Leonard, Alton
Leonard, Everett
Lewis, Edwin
Lincoln, Albert
Lincoln, M. G.
Lincoln, William
Lindberg, T. V.
Littlefield, Dorothy
Love, Land
Ludovici, Mrs. Frank
Lynn, Miss C.

MacDonald, the Mover
MacDonald, M.
MacLeod, Kenneth
MacPherson, D. E.
Manceni, J.
Manning, Mrs. Thomas
Marchure, Henry
Marriner, K.
Marshall, Ernest
Martin, Marshall
Marvel, Mrs. Edward
Mathieu, G.
McCaffrey, Alice
McCaffrey, Dr. Jerome
McCaffrey, Peter
McHugh, Loretta
McLaughlin, Eleanor
McMurrrough, John
Mendes, M.
Merrill, Miss Marion
Metcalf, Albert
Metty, Joseph
Miller, Mrs. Fred
Miller, G. Jr.
Milliken, Mrs. J. K.
Mondor, Miss Marguerite
Mondor, Mrs. Peter
Monterio, Mrs. Mary

Moquin, Mrs. F.
Morgan, Mrs. John
Morrison, William
Morse, Mrs. Ralph
Mosher, Varney
Mott, Gertrude
Mowry, Frances
Murphy, David
Murphy, Miss Edith
Murphy, Francis G.
Murphy, John

Nasise, Frank
Nasise, Joseph
Nasise, Philip
Nason, Charles
Nason, Donald
Nason, E.
Nesbit, George
Newcomb, John
Newcomb, Laura
Nordin, K.
Northrop, Lester
Nourse, Laurence
Nourse, Lucille P.
Nunes, Tony

O'Brien, Daniel
O'Brien, William W.
Obshatkin, Irving S.
Odams Dye House
O'Leary, Chester O.
O'Neil, Vincent E.
Packer, Lloyd
Paquette, George T. Jr.
Paris, Mrs. F. P.
Park, J. E.
Parker, Andrew
Parks, Eleanor
Partridge, Gerald
Peaslee, Mrs. Floyd
Pelletier, Albert
Pendleton, Edward

Penesis, T.
Perry, Mabel
Perry, Mrs. Milton
Phillips, Mrs. Fred
Pierce, Charles
Pierce, George
Pimental, Frank
Pino, Charles
Pino, R.
Plante, Frank
Plante, W.
Platt, Mrs.
Poore, Marjorie
Poudrier, Fred
Power, Mrs. William
Pratt, J. C.
Pratt, Mrs. J. C.
Providence Cone Co.

Radevicz, Michael
Rafter, Mrs. G.
Ramsayer, Mrs. F.
Rand, H.
Randall, Charles
Regan, Mrs. Charles C.
Reilly, Amelia
Reinhard, Audrey
Remick, Mary
Reynolds, Clifford E.
Reynolds, Mrs. Cora
Reynolds, Helen M.
Reynolds, Mr. V. I.
Reynolds, Wallace L.
Reynolds, Wallace L. Jr.
Rice, Mrs. Rowena
Rich, Mrs. James
Rich, James
Richards, William
Richmond, Mrs. A.
Richmond, James
Richmond, Mabel
Ridgeway, Jesse
Ring, Mrs. F. C.

Robbins, Mrs. Emmela
Robbins, Mrs. Harry
Roberts, Mrs. E. T.
Robinson, Mrs. Elgie
Robinson, Mrs. G. F.
Robinson, Harry
Robinson, Mrs Raymond
Roche, Helen
Ross, Arthur G.
Rossi, Domenic
Rounds, Mrs. A.
Roy, Mrs. Albert
Roy, Homer
Ruback, Tony
Rubin, Lewis S.
Runge, Diedrich
Russell, Dorothy
Russell, W. H.

Sabourin, Mrs. Catherine
Sabourin, Paul
Sarvia, J.
Salls, Herbert
Sanford, Mrs. Arnold B.
Savaria, Eleanor
Sawyer, Mrs. A.
Scanlon, Ben
Scanaro, Joseph
Schaffer, J. B.
Schissler, Dorothea H.
Scott, Charles H.
Scott, John B.
Scott, H. C.
Scott, Rita
Scott, Roy
Schurman, F. C.
Seekonk Printing Co.
Seele, Irene
Shaw, George
Shaw, Mrs. Henry
Shaw, Ralph
Shaw, Mrs. Paul
Shipley, Esther

Shaw, Paul
Sibley, Mrs. Abbie J.
Silvia, John
Simmons, Mrs. Katie
Simmons, H. L.
Sinclair, Mrs. John
Sinclair, Evelyn
Smith, Belle
Smith, Mrs. George E.
Spatcher, Lora
Spatcher, Carl
Spencer, Mrs. E.
Sprague, Mrs. Clinton
Sousa, James
Souza, Mrs. Frank
Souza, Frank
Sousa, Joseph
Souza, John
Stuntzner, Myrtle
Starr, Mrs. Ernest
St. Cyr, F.
Sturdy, Arthur T.
Sturdy, Mrs. Arthur T.
Sturdy, Mrs. William M.
St. James, Alcide W.
St. James, Eugene
Swan, F
Sweet, Arthur
Sweet, Mrs. Arthur
Sweet, Horace

Talbot, F. S.
Talbot, Mrs. F. S.
Talbot, Johnne
Taunton Tobacco Co.
Teixiera, Angelina
Teixeira, Evangeline
Teixiera, Frank
Teixiera, John
Teixeria, John R.
Teixeira, Joseph F.
Teixiera, Mrs. Mary
Tetlow, Fred

Thibault, Leo
Thomase, Charles
Thomase, Mrs. Charles
Thomas, Elizabeth
Thornhill, W.
Tierney, Mrs. Irene
Titus, Clifford
Todd, Florence
Towney, Marion
Travis, Georgie
Travis, Jack
Tucker, Mrs. William E.

Ulmer, D. J.
Ulmer, J. G.

Valentine, Mrs. Clarence
Valentine, Mrs. Ellen
Vallet, Mrs. Helena
Valquette, Oscar
Varney, B.
Varney, Joseph
Villiers, Paul

Waite, Mrs. David
Waite, Percy
Wallace, Mrs. William
Ware, Mrs. Alice M.
Watson, James
Welch, Josephine A.
Westgate, Herbert
Wetherell, Harold
Wetherell, Mildred E.
Whitaker, Joseph
Whitaker, Mrs. J.
Whitaker, Milo
Whitaker, Sarah
Whitcomb, Alfred
White, Oliver E.
Whitman, H. Crooker
Whittaker, Mrs. Sidney
Wiley, Audrey
Wiley, Don

Wiley, C. F.	Woodward, B. A. Jr.
Williams, Irma	Woodward, Mrs Daniel
Williams, Miss Mary	Woodward, Mrs. Elizabeth
Wilkinson, Stanley	Woodward, Harold S.
Williams, Mrs. Walter	Woodward, Horace
Winter, Brad	Woodward, Mrs. L. B.
Winter, H. E.	Wooley, Mrs.
Wiswall, Evelyn	Work, Eunice
Wiswall, N.	Wright, Mrs. Robert
Wood, Mrs. Arthur	
Wood, Ernest	Yelle, Ben
Wood, Ethel	Yelle, Leo
Wood, W. C. S.	Yelle, Wilfred
Wood, Mrs. Walter	Young, Robert
Woods, Franklin	
Woods, Helen	Zeigler, Barbara
Woodward, Mrs. Albert Jr.	Zwicker, Howard L.
Woodward, Albert Sr.	

REPORT OF THE TREASURER
NORTON DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1942

Receipts

Balance on hand January 1, 1942,	\$ 951.59
Received during year:	
Nurse's fees,	\$ 375.65
Town of Norton or School Nurse,	900.00
John Hancock Life Insurance Com-	
pany, fees,	31.00
Metropolitan Life Insurance Com-	
pany, fees,	182.50
Carnival, net receipts,	1,006.97
Christmas Baskets, Norton Teach-	
ers' Club,	5.00
Refunds:	
Printing Carnival Tickets,	\$20.00

Supplies,	6.71	
	<u> </u>	26.71
Total Receipts from all sources,		<u>\$2,527.83</u>
		<u>\$3,479.42</u>

Disbursements

Paid during year:

Salary of nurse,	\$1,500.00
Substitute nurse,	100.00
Automobile expense,	238.19
Garage rent,	48.00
Office and Organization expenses,	28.90
Nurse's supplies,	24.89
Telephone,	13.85
Christmas baskets,	42.39
From emergency fund,	6.37
Treasurer's bond,	5.00

Carnival:

Printing tickets,	\$20.00
Roll of paper for tables,	7.20
	<u> </u>
	27.20

Total Disbursements,	<u>\$2,034.79</u>
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Balance on hand January 1, 1943,	<u>1,444.63</u>
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Balance in Milk Fund,	\$16.24
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Respectfully submitted,

HELEN J. CAFFREY, Treasurer

ANNUAL REPORT OF NORTON DISTRICT NURSE

Reviewing the activities of the Norton District Nursing Association for 1942.

Bedside Nursing: Visits made to the acutely ill, to patients with illnesses of long standing, dressings and massage are listed as bedside care. Visits are made to these patients under the direction of the family physician. No treatments are given without a doctor's orders. If a patient calls in a nurse without a doctor's order only one visit is allowable to that patient. I have made 899 visits to bed patients this year.

Social Visits: A visit made to a person who requires no nursing care but who needs advice regarding illness in the home, placing of children, or help in making any home or family adjustment is called a social visit. Our social visits have decreased during the past year from 35 in 1941 to 28 in 1942. We attribute this decrease to the full time Welfare worker in Norton who lightens our responsibility of social work.

Maternity: The nurse has assisted the doctors at four home deliveries and made 41 visits to the mother and baby to give after care. Daily visits are made for eight to ten days following delivery. bedside care and treatments are given to the mother and baby according to the doctor's orders.

Antepartum: If the nurse is notified early by the expectant mother, she will visit her once a month before the delivery. She will advise the mother concerning her care, clothing for the baby, doctor's orders, diets and the after care of the mother and baby. If there is to be a helper in the home the nurse will make plans to talk with her and instruct her in the care of the mother and baby between the nurse's visits.

We have made 11 calls to expectant mothers this year, six less than in 1941. This is one of our most important services that we give and we would be glad to have more cases reported to us by the patients themselves or the doctor. We feel that we can be of help to patients who are staying home and also to those who are going to a hospital.

Child Welfare: After the case is discharged from the daily visits, the nurse visits the baby once a month, if possible. The baby is weighed and the weight, growth and habits of eating and sleeping discussed with the mother. All problems of feeding or change of diets are referred to the family physician. We have made 112 visits this year.

Health Service: This service includes visits to school children or adults regarding personal health problems. Arranging for tonsilectomies and hospitalization are included in this service. We have made 36 visits to school children and nine to adults. We also made 48 visits to pre-school children regarding their pre-school examination which was held in May. A full report of this will be found in the school nurse's report.

Unclassified: We are affiliated with the John Hancock Life Insurance Company and the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. Policy holders of certain type policies in good standing and at the request of a physician may receive nursing care chargeable to the insurance companies. We visited six John Hancock policy holders and made 40 visits. Twenty-three Metropolitan Life Insurance policy holders received care and two hundred eighteen visits were made to them.

During the past year we note an increase of 242 calls in our bedside service. We are alert to the fact that the nurse will often have to rely on the home nursing care given to chronic patients in the homes, by someone in the family, while she gives the more complicated treatments and care to the acutely ill. We need the co-operation of every person in the community to become more public health minded this year. You can help a sick neighbor or offer your services to the nursing association, if you are interested and willing. If you have had any home nursing training, let us know, your community needs you.

In closing I wish to thank the Board members for their co-operation and advice during the past year. Thanks to the girls at the House in The Pines and Wheaton College Y. W. C. A. for their generous contributions. Thanks to all in the community who have contributed to our work, especially those who helped at Carnival time.

You need our service in the community and we need and appreciate your support.

Respectfully submitted,

DRUSILLA FOSTER,

Norton District Nurse

DEFENSE BOARD

MARCH 8, 1943

By-Law: "There shall be a Defense Board of five members, appointed by the Finance Committee. Vacancies shall be filled in like manner. One member shall be designated to act as chairman. The Defense Board shall have charge of the expenditures of all sums of money raised and appropriated by the town for the purposes of the Committee on Public Safety under the provisions of Chapter 487 of the Acts of 1941."

Under the above By-Law, passed by the Annual Town Meeting on March 9, 1942, and approved by the Attorney General, properly posted, advertised, and attested by the Town Clerk in accordance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth and an Emergency Law, Chapter 487 of the Acts of 1941, the Finance Committee met and appointed the following:

Myron T. Briggs, Frank Crowe, Clifford E. Reynolds, George J. Traviss, Philip A. Gavin, Chairman.

The Defense Board organized and elected George J. Traviss, Secretary. Regular monthly meetings of the Board have been held on the third Tuesday of each month at the office of the Sprague & Reynolds Company.

Many requests for funds for use of the Committee on Public Safety have come before the Board, and after careful consideration approval was given where it seemed to be in the public interest and proper use of the public funds.

The Ration Board, Auxiliary Police, State Guard, School Department, Protection Division, and others required funds for various activities. Much of the money that has been spent this past year and in the previous year has been for equipment and material. These will last for the duration of the war, and it is the opinion of this Board, that the Committee on Public Safety, and other committees will be able to function on greatly reduced appropriations.

The Defense Board is prepared to act promptly if an emergency requires additional funds.

The Defense Board wishes to express appreciation to the members of the Committee on Public Safety, to all oth-

ers for their co-operation, and to Mr. Clifford Reynolds for the use of his offices by the Ration Board and several other Civilian Defense groups.

PHILIP A. GAVIN, Chairman

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

During the year 1942 the Water Department installed 4100 feet of six-inch pipe on North Worcester Street and 656 feet on Pleasant Street. Twelve new services were added, five of these being on the new North Worcester Street extension.

The year 1938 was the first year an accurate check was kept on the number of gallons of water pumped and in 1942 we pumped 27,854,000 gallons more than in 1938.

The Department turned back \$774.74 from its appropriation. We were unable to purchase fuel oil for the diesel engine, obtain small parts we normally keep in stock and did not receive a large valve that was ordered in September or this balance would have been used.

A summary of the special appropriation for water main extensions is as follows:

Special Appropriation North Worcester Street, 1942, \$3,000.00, expended \$3,000.00.

Special Appropriation North Worcester Street, 1941, \$4,000.00, expended \$3,476.51.

Special Appropriation Washington Street, 1941, \$3,500.00, expended \$328.88.

The following is a report of the Department's operating expenses for the year 1942. This includes all costs to the town of running the Water Department with the exception of the Special Appropriations:

Expenses of maintaining the Department,	\$ 7,725.26
Payment on Water Loan Principal,	4,000.00
Interest on Water Loan,	1,912.50
Total,	13,637.76

Total Commitments for the year 1942, \$18,019.43

This shows a commitment over and above the cost of maintaining the Department of \$4,381.67.

Respectfully submitted,

BERTRAM F. FALES,
LEONARD A. WITHERELL,
JESSE RIDGWAY,

Board of Water Commissioners

NORTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Board of Directors

Mr. Varney W. Mosher,	Term expires	1943
Mrs. Hattie Pratt,	" "	1943
Mrs. Jennie Sturdy,	" "	1943
Miss Caro Lynn,	" "	1944
Mrs. Ada Pillsbury,	" "	1944
Mrs. N. Florence Williams,	" "	1944
Miss Helen I. Caffrey,	" "	1945
Mr. Ernest J. Knapton,	" "	1945
Mr. Clifford Reynolds,	" "	1945
The Selectmen, ex-officio.		

Officers of the Board

President,	Miss Caro Lynn
Vice-President,	Mrs. N. Florence Williams
Secretary and Treasurer,	Mr. Varney W. Mosher

Committees

Building and Grounds—Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Mosher, Mrs. Pratt.
Book—Miss Caffrey, Mr. Knapton, Mrs. Pratt, Miss Lynn.
Finance—Mr. Mosher, Mr. Knapton, Mr. Reynolds.
Membership—Mrs. Pillsbury, Mrs. Sturdy, Mrs. Williams.

Librarian, Miss Gertrude Mott
Assistant Librarian, Miss Doris Durgin

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

The following is the circulation of books by classes for the year: Fiction, 11,900; General, 200; Philosophy, 20; Religion, 100; Sociology, 80; Language, 0; Science, 100; Useful Arts, 150; Fine Arts, 20; Literature, 270; History, 350; Biography, 340; total non-fiction, 1910; total, 13,810.

Library Hours

	Afternoon	Evening
Monday,		7:00-9:00
Wednesday,	3:00-5:00	7:00-8:00
Saturday,	3:00-5:00	7:00-9:00

Additional hours are arranged to accommodate the students in the Norton High School and the grammar grades. These occur on Wednesday morning.

The Library receives a number of magazines as gifts in addition to its regular subscriptions.

The Library also receives a number of Pocket Book editions of modern fiction.

Respectfully submitted,

GERTRUDE MOTT

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

During the year of 1924, under the menace of a total war, the Norton Public Library performed some unusual functions. For seven months from December, 1941, the Library building housed the Norton Report Center of Civilian Defense, with its twenty-four hour service. At the end of the year, on the application of the Medical Division of the Norton Civilian Defense Organization, the Periodical Room was temporarily assigned to this body as a storehouse for supplies and a center of activities. During recent months this building has appeared sombre and forbidding with shades closely drawn to meet Dim-Out requirements and to conserve heat.

To meet the fuel shortage, early in January, 1943, the Library hours were so changed as to open the building only

on Wednesdays, from 9:00 a. m. to 11:00 a. m. During previous months the greatest care has been taken by librarians and caretakers to conserve fuel; but finally a cut leaving the building less than 50 per cent of last year's consumption led to the change of hours. The pipes were drained, and the heat turned off for the rest of the week. At the same time, the Board received with regret the resignation of A. Fernandes who had been our excellent and dependable janitor for some years. His resignation was necessitated by the long hours required in other employment, and his place will be hard to fill.

During December, the Board had occasion twice to extend sympathy to two of its faithful members and to regret the loss of two old friends in the death of Mr. Walter Williams and Mr. J. C. Pratt. Mr. Williams was for several years a member of the Board, and its Treasurer. In recent years he had cared for subscriptions to periodicals and had so arranged that the amount of his commissions was returned indirectly to the resources of the Library.

The Library has received kindnesses from other Norton citizens this year as in other years. A gift from Mr. Stanley Wilkinson enabled us to continue subscription to our most expensive periodical The London Illustrated Weekly. Miss Henrietta Jennings has given the year's subscription to Newsweek, and Mrs. Hattie Pratt to Horticulture. As all subscription prices were substantially advanced these gifts were a practical aid. Learning of a demand for late chemistry texts not on the shelves Dr. Dorothy Thompson of the Wheaton chemistry department presented us with half a dozen valuable volumes. A gift of money for children's books was made by Mrs. Arnold Jenkins and occasional volumes were presented by other friends. The Library invites gifts of readable books. Book prices have appreciably advanced along with other expenses and there is of course, an unusual call for technical books and volumes on current and pending affairs. If books for the U. S. O. are left with the Librarian, who is chairman of this work, the Library will see that they are forwarded to a place of service.

The Library received another valued gift consisting of a file of Norton Town Report, from 1914 to 1938, presented by Mr. Jerome Lane. This is a very acceptable acquisition

and has been placed in safe-keeping. Two numbers are lacking: 1915 and 1925. If any Norton citizens have and would be willing to give the Library these, or any pre-1914 numbers, the gift would be appreciated to help complete a file which the Library should have for its historical value to the town, in future years as well as now.

A change of hours, or rather an added hour, has been tried this year to make the Library more accessible to Norton students. The building has been opened on Wednesday forenoon from 11:00 o'clock, to offer better articulation with the school bus service. The move seems popular as the rooms are thronged with students during this period. The monthly book-lists have again been issued in carefully mimeographed form through the courtesy of the Norton High School Commercial Department, and distributed through all the schools.

The troubled conditions of the year at large have offered us not a few problems; I am very pleased to report the willingness and patience of Board and librarians in giving their services to meet all emergencies.

CARO LYNN, President

TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1, 1943

Receipts

Cash on hand, January 1, 1942,	\$ 250.24
From Wheaton College,	200.00
Norton Savings and Loan Association, Interest,	84.00
Town of Norton, Appropriation,	1,000.00
Interest on Invested Funds,	145.00
On Account principal U. S. Bond and Mortgage,	30.00
M. Florence Williams, Gift,	14.25
Fines,	15.34
Two books returned,	5.47
Norton Civilian Defense Committee for electric light,	89.02
Sale of junk,	2.50
	\$1,835.82

Expenditures

Miss Gertrude Mott, Librarian,	\$ 287.50
Miss Doris Durgin, Assistant Librarian,	206.25
A. Fernandes, Janitor,	93.67
Miss Gertrude Mott, Petty Cash,	6.00
V. W. Mosher, Postal Cards,	2.00
V. W. Mosher, Repairing Chair Seat,	1.50
Postmaster, Town of Norton, Cards and Box Rent,	2.45
Fire Insurance on contents of Library,	161.00
Joseph H. Winters, Lock and installation,	4.55
Sullivan's Office Supply Co., Supplies,	2.90
H. Eddleston and Son, Repairs,	24.00
Norton Power & Electric Company, Lights and Bulbs,	134.77
Pierce Hardware, Supplies,	4.80
Southern Mass. Oil Corporation, Oil and Burner Service,	152.06
Transferred to permanent funds: Liquidating Mortgage, from U. S. Bond and Mortgage,	30.00
Bristol County Trust Company, Safe Deposit Box rent,	3.60
Bristol County Trust Company, Checking Account and collection charges,	2.70
Library Book House, Books,	479.69
Gaylord Brothers, Supplies,	10.50
Automobile Insurance Company, War Damage Insurance,	9.00
H. S. Horne and Company, Supplies,	1.58
Miss Helen Caffrey, Postal Cards,	2.00
Williams Subscription Agency, Magazines,	60.25
Mansfield Lumber Company, Supplies,	4.16
Balance on hand,	148.89
	\$1,835.82

VARNEY W. MOSHER, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE FIRE ENGINEERS

The fire engineers herewith respectfully submit their thirteenth annual report.

The Fire Department responded to 103 calls during 1942.

A larger and more powerful tractor was purchased to draw the ladder truck. The dependability and performance of this unit will be substantially increased with the addition of three trussed ladders to replace three solid side ladders. This truck should meet our needs for several years.

A resuscitator was purchased and placed in service. It has been used on three persons successfully. This machine is kept in the fire station at Chartley, where it is on call at any time. We strongly urge anyone to call for the resuscitator in case of drowning, gas poisoning, asthma, or any form of asphyxia. There is no charge for this service. All we ask is that you call Attleboro 45 and call at once.

Our three pumping engines now average nearly ten years old. We have endeavored to keep them in good condition, as at present these engines and their hose loads cannot be replaced.

Fire fighting equipment of many kinds has been applied for from the O. C. D. None has been received.

The fire fighting force of trained volunteer and auxiliary firemen has steadily increased. It is now larger than ever. Many of these men are not available during the daytime. We wish to thank the Defiance Bleachery, T. J. Holmes, Kilburn Glass Co., Lane Brothers' Laundry, and Sprague & Reynolds for permitting firemen employed there to answer fire alarms during working hours.

Many forest and brush fires are caused by carelessness and poor incinerators. Permits are necessary for open air or incinerator fires at all times.

We wish to call your attention to the dangerous conditions that will exist during the spring in our forests and grass lands. On days of sustained high winds and temperature, together with low humidity, the danger becomes extreme. Any open air fire may easily become a conflagration. No open air fire of any kind should be started on such days.

Frankly, if several forest, brush, or building fires were to occur together we could not control all of them, and great damage would result.

We make the following recommendations in case of fire:

First: Call Attleboro 45 or telephone or call Norton

telephone operator.

Second: Give exact location of fire. This is very important.

Third: Call the Fire Department to a fire when first discovered regardless of size or kind.

Our thanks to highway, police, school, and water departments, and the Norton telephone operator, for their help and co-operation at all times.

The volunteer and auxilliary firemen deserve full credit for their fine, loyal work in this dangerous profession. We extend to these valuable men our sincere thanks.

In conclusion, may we express our sincere appreciation for the fine support given our board and fire department.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD L. WETHERELL,

Chief of Fire Department.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE NORTON FIRE DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR 1942

Receipts

January 1, 1942:

Cash on hand, January 1, 1942	\$ 16.14
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December 31, 1942:

Received from George E. Smith, Collector,	3,726.72
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Total Receipts,	\$ 3,742.86
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Paid Out

December 31, 1942:

To George E. Smith, Treasurer:
for Hydrant Rental—

Balance September 1, 1941 to March 1, 1942,	\$ 228.50
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In Full from March 1, 1942 to September 1, 1942,	1,777.50
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In Part from September 1, 1942 to March 1, 1943,	1,727.50
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Total Paid Out,	\$ 3,733.50
Cash on hand January 1, 1943,	9.36
Total,	\$ 3,742.86

W. C. S. WOOD, Treasurer

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

The Board of Public Welfare of the Town of Norton herewith submit the following report:

General Relief

During the year of 1942 there were twenty-six (26) cases aided, representing forty-seven (47) persons, eighteen (18) cases being the largest number of cases aided in any one month.

Twelve (12) cases aided were Norton settled cases.

Four (4) cases aided were unsettled (State) cases.

Eight (8) cases aided were cases with settlement in other city or town.

One (1) case aided is under Division of Child Guardianship.

One (1) case aided is in State Infirmary.

There were six (6) cases that received hospitalization and two Rest Home cases. There was one Court case which resulted in children being permanently placed with Division of Child Guardianship and mother being sentenced to Sherborn Reformatory.

All general relief cases are visited frequently and plans for treatment made.

Due to improvement in employment conditions we have not had many new applications, except in cases of illness.

In January, 1942, we aided eighteen (18) cases, representing eighteen (18) persons, total expense for January,

1942, being \$385.44. In December, 1942, we aided eleven (11) cases, representing eleven (11) persons; total expenses for December 1942, being \$164.00.

The eleven persons now receiving aid are all unemployables, being physically unfit for work. The following tabulation will show the number of cases and reasons for eligibility:

Five (5) cases—physically unfit for work; doctor's certificate on file.

Four (4) cases—in age group for Old Age Assistance; ineligible as they are not citizens of U. S.; also physically unfit for work.

One (1) case—child being boarded under Division of Child Guardianship.

One (1) case—child being boarded in private family; whereabouts of parents unknown.

The following tabulation will give the number of cases aided each month:

	1942	
	Cases	Persons
January,	18	18
February,	15	15
March,	16	16
April,	10	10
May,	14	14
June,	12	12
July,	12	17
August,	10	10
September,	11	23
October,	10	10
November,	16	24
December,	11	11

Of the twenty-six (26) cases aided during the year, fifteen (15) cases were closed. The following tabulation will give the number of cases closed and reasons for closing.

Resumed health, 2; moved to other cities, 2; deceased, 2; ineligible, 1; secured private employment, 6; to other institutions, 2.

The bills for the Welfare Department to the State and to other cities and towns were sent on August 26th and December 28th, 1942, for the amount of \$1,720.91.

We do not anticipate any unusual increase in General Relief for 1943; however, illness and hospitalization are items that cannot be foreseen by anyone in advance.

The total expenditure for Welfare for 1942 was \$4,-839.30. Out of this amount the sum of \$1,102.81 was paid to other cities and towns for cases with settlement in Norton. The sum of \$682.47 was transferred to Old Age Assistance.

Amount paid out for State cases was \$785.43.

Amount paid out for outside cities and towns cases, living in Norton, \$935.48.

Summary of Welfare Costs for Four Year Period

	1939	1940	1941	1942
Expenditures,	\$8,792.95	\$8,956.81	\$5,814.12	\$4,839.30
Receipts,	1,647.27	682.47	847.43	961.02
Actual Costs—				
Welfare,	\$7,145.68	\$8,274.34	\$4,966.69	\$3,878.28

Aid to Dependent Children

During the year there were nine (9) Aid to Dependent Children cases aided, representing twenty-three (23) children.

There have been four (4) cases closed for the following reasons:

Private employment, 2; sufficient income, 1; children placed with Division Child Guardianship, 1; (mother sentenced to Sherborn Reformatory).

In January, 1942, we aided nine (9) cases, representing twenty-three (23) children under eighteen (18) years of age, total payroll for month of January being \$278.00. In December, 1942, we aided five (5) cases, representing thirteen (13) children under eighteen (18) years of age, total payroll for month of December, 1942, being \$176.00.

There are no Aid to Dependent Children applications pending and we do not anticipate any unusual increase in case-load for the year 1943.

The following tabulation will give the number of cases aided each month and number of children represented:

	Number	
	Cases	Children
January,	9	23

February,	9	23
March,	9	23
April,	9	23
May,	7	18
June,	7	18
July,	7	18
August,	6	15
September,	6	15
October,	5	13
November,	5	13
December,	5	13

Quarterly visits have been made on all Aid to Dependent Children cases.

Resources have been checked; school, health, dental, eyes and ears have been checked. Dental work has been attended to when needed; glasses have been furnished when necessary, and special medical treatment has been given when needed.

There was one hospital case during the year 1942.

It was necessary to increase two (2) cases due to illness.

The total expenditures for Aid to Dependent Children for 1942 was \$2,917.00.

Summary of Aid to Dependent Children Costs for Four Year Period

	1939	1940	1941	1942
Expenditures,	\$2,345.00	\$3,153.00	\$3,623.00	\$2,917.00
Receipts,	628.00	3,003.80	2,361.37	2,505.17
Actual costs, Aid to Dependent Chil-				
dren,	\$1,717.00	\$ 149.20	\$1,261.63	\$ 411.83

Old Age Assistance

During the year 1942 there were one hundred one (101) Old Age Assistance cases aided during the year; ninety-one (91) cases being the largest number of cases in any one month.

Eighty (80) cases aided were Norton settled cases.

Thirteen (13) cases aided were unsettled (State) cases.

Eight (8) cases aided were cases settled in other cities and towns.

There were eleven (11) cases that received hospitalization and three (3) Rest Home cases.

In January, 1942, we aided eighty-eight (88) Old Age Assistance cases; total monthly expenditures for January, 1942, being \$2,591.02. In December, 1942, we added eighty (80) cases; total expenditures for the month of December, 1942, being **\$2,788.00.**

The following tabulation will give the number of cases aided each month:

	1942		1942
January,	88	July,	91
February,	84	August,	88
March,	86	September,	88
April,	86	October,	85
May,	87	November	81
June,	87	December,	80

Of the one hundred and one (101) cases aided during the year, twenty-one cases were closed, the following tabulation will give the number of cases closed during the year and the reasons for closing:

Deceased, 6; moved to other city or town, 6; secured private employment, 1; become ineligible due to sufficient funds, 4; to other institutions, 2; became ineligible due to relatives willing and able to support, 2.

The following tabulation will give the number of increases and decreases during the year 1942, and reasons.

Increases

May (38)—State and Federal Law.
 June (10)—State and Federal Law.
 July (1)—Medical.
 August (2)—1 Medical, 1 State and Federal Law.
 September (1)—Medical.
 October (2)—Medical.
 December (1)—Medical.

Decreases

August (8)—4, Relatives able to support; 4, No property expense.
 October (4)—3, Relatives able to support; 1, No property expense.
 November (1)—Private employment.

Each Old Age Assistance case has been visited in accordance with State and Federal regulations.

Bills for Old Age Assistance cases to other cities and towns were billed in May and December, 1942, for the amount of \$337.98.

The total expenditures for Old Age Assistance for 1942 was \$32,825.12. Out of this amount \$337.67 was paid to other cities and towns for cases with settlement in Norton.

Amount paid for State cases, \$3,785.00.

Amount paid for other cities and towns cases, living in Norton, \$1,620.53.

Summary of Old Age Assistance Costs for Four-Year Period

	1939	1940	1941	1942
Expenditures	\$23,867.18	\$28,243.07	\$29,766.29	\$32,825.12
Receipts,	10,494.63	29,262.21	23,027.70	27,733.42
Actual Costs—				
Old Age Assistance,	\$13,372.55	none	\$ 6,738.59	\$ 5,091.70

The reason for small amount of receipts in 1939 and large amount of receipts in 1939 is due to the fact that the billing did not go out in time for some of the 1939 receipts to come in in 1939, therefore, accounting for the large amount of receipts in 1940.

The Welfare Department is still sponsoring the Victor Food Commissary (formerly known as Surplus Commodities), also the food and milk for schools. We understand that if we discontinue the Food Commodities that the school food commodities may cease; therefore, we have felt it advisable to continue the Commissary for awhile. We have also been informed by the State Department that in case of war disaster, the cities and towns not having a Commissary to draw upon will find it necessary to buy a large quantity of food out of Civilian War Assistance funds for mass feeding that can be saved by having a Commissary to draw upon. The Federal Government has large quantities of foods being held in warehouses in case of war disaster.

The Welfare Department has fully equipped a modern office with furniture, fixtures and heater. The office is also used by many other town officials, namely the Board of Selectmen, the Board of Registrars, and any other department

which wishes to use it. The office is open for inspection at any time by citizens of the town.

The Welfare Office is located in the Town Hall on the second floor. Telephone number is 131. Office hours are 9 a. m. to 12 noon, and 1 p. m. to 4:30 p. m., except when working outside on visits, re-visits or investigations.

The Board of Public Welfare meets on the first Monday of each month and on the third Wednesday, preceding the third Thursday of each month.

Mrs. Alice M. Rosequist was appointed May 4th, 1942, to the position of social worker, Department of Public Welfare, effective May 4th, 1942.

Residence of Mrs. Rosequist is Reynolds Apartment, Main street, Norton; telephone 122-4.

Mr. W. Robert LaChapelle was appointed Representative for the Civilian War Assistance and Civilian Emergency Agent for Civilian War Assistance and Civilian Emergency Relief and Mrs. Alice M. Rosequist was appointed Relief by Arthur T. Rotch, Commissioner of Public Welfare.

Civilian War Assistance is assistance that may be granted in case of a war disaster, resulting from enemy action, and is wholly Federal funds. Said funds will have no connection with our General Relief appropriation.

Civilian Emergency Relief will be assistance for persons in need in case the fuel oil shortage becomes acute. Also for assistance to persons in need temporarily because of the war, but not enemy action disaster. This is state funds.

Mr. LaChapelle is responsible for the planning and organizing of staff workers, which will include clerks and volunteer workers.

Mrs. Rosequist is the only person authorized to sign checks and give approval or authorization for expenditures of funds and authorize payments of any funds, for both Civilian War Assistance and Civilian Emergency Relief. Federal ruling on Authorized Agents is that they must be a Civil Service employee; therefore, Mrs. Rosequist, under her appointment, will meet the Federal requirements.

Our full staff of clerks and volunteer workers will be published within a short time.

We wish to thank the town officials, Visiting Nurse Association, the Red Cross, House in the Pines Charitable

Group, Wheaton College Charitable Group, and residents of the town of Norton, who have assisted the Department in any way. Your co-operation and benevolence is appreciated.

We wish to thank Mrs. Rosequist for her invaluable co-operation and kindness at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

W. ROBERT LaCHAPELLE,
BERNARD A. CABISIUS,
LESTER M. JOHNSON,

Board of Public Welfare

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Total Value	1941	1942
Real Estate,	\$2,056,825.00	\$2,175,875.00
Personal Estate,	177,825.00	176,550.00

Total appropriations to be raised by taxation,	\$126,959.72
Appropriations voted to be taken from available funds,	5,850.00
State Tax,	5,850.00
State Parks and Reservations,	98.55
State Audit of Municipal Accounts,	890.14
County Tax,	2,727.06
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment,	1,801.78
Overlayings,	2,395.82

Gross amount to be raised,	\$146,573.07
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Estimated receipts from all sources,	\$62,688.77
County Tax over-estimate for 1941,	26.02
State Tax overestimate for 1941,	1,155.00
State Parks and Reservations overestimate for 1941,	14.53
Available funds voted to reduce the tax rate,	4,000.00
Appropriations from available funds—Section 23, Chapter 59,	5,850.00

Net amount raised on Polls and Property,	72,838.75
Total,	<u>\$146,573.07</u>

Number of Polls assessed (including all over 70 years),	1,133
Horses assessed,	47
Cows assessed,	347
Sheep assessed,	9
Other neat cattle assessed,	73
Swine assessed,	34
Fowl assessed,	19,356
Number of dwelling houses assessed,	905
All other animals assessed,	105
Rate per \$1,000.00,	\$30.00

Excise Tax

Number of Automobiles assessed,	1,241
Assessed value,	\$236,360.00
Total Excise Tax,	7,839.26
State Rate per \$1,000.00,	36.46

Norton Fire District

Assessed value of Real Estate,	\$1,306,425.00
Assessed value of Personal Estate,	110,825.00
Rate per \$1,000.00,	2.60

Respectfully submitted,

LEONARD A. WITHERELL,
WILLIAM E. FALES,
E. FRANCIS LEMAIRE,

Board of Assessors

FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1942

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

SALARIES

Moderator:		
Vinton I. Reynolds,	\$	20.00
Selectmen:		
Vinton I. Reynolds,		150.00
John B. Scott,		150.00
Charles E. Flaherty,		27.95
John G. Adair,		122.05
Board of Public Welfare:		
Carl J. Bottomley,		18.63
Bernard Cabisius,		100.00
W. R. LaChapelle,		100.00
Lester M. Johnson,		81.37
Treasurer:		
George E. Smith,		500.00
Tax Collector:		
George E. Smith,		500.00
Accountant:		
Arthur M. Freeman,		500.00
Assessors:		
Leonard A. Witherell,		350.00
William E. Fales,		350.00
E. Francis Lemaire,		350.00
Town Clerk:		
George E. Smith,		150.00
Total.		<u>\$3,470.00</u>

SELECTMEN'S EXPENSES

John B. Scott, Clerk,	\$	75.00
Bristol County Selectmen's Association, Dues,		6.00

Attleboro Print, Inc., Printing,	6.61
Commissioner of Public Safety, License Forms,	.45
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., Forms,	6.79
H. S. Horne & Co., Stationery,	2.03
Sun Publishing Co., Advertising,	1.80
Taunton Daily Gazette, Advertising,	1.68
Vinton I. Reynolds, Expenses,	65.15
John B. Scott, Expenses,	72.58
John G. Adair, Expenses.	36.91
Total,	\$ 275.00

ACCOUNTANT'S EXPENSES

Doris Durgin, Typing,	\$ 10.00
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., Cash Book and Supplies,	10.43
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Forms,	20.85
John Wiley & Sons, Publication,	3.65
Arthur M. Freeman, Expenses,	72.85
Total,	\$117.78

TREASURER'S EXPENSES

Doris Durgin, Clerical Work,	\$ 355.70
George E. Smith, Executing Deeds,	24.00
Irene H. Seel, Treasurer's Bond,	71.00
Irene H. Seel, Burglary Insurance,	77.50
Attleboro Print Inc., Printing and Stationery,	29.18
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., Forms,	8.71
W. W. Gibson & Co., Printing,	7.50
Thomas W. Curran, Postmaster, Stamps,	61.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Certification of Notes,	6.00
Sullivan's Office Supply Co., Stationery,	1.35
Grants, Inc., Stationery,	1.25
First National Bank, Attleboro, Printing Checks,	4.05
Natitnal Shawmut Bank, Postage,	.21
George E. Smith, Rent of Office,	50.00
George E. Smith, Miscellaneous Expenses,	37.71
Total,	\$ 735.16

TAX COLLECTOR'S EXPENSES

Doris Durgin, Clerical Work,	\$ 184.40
Thomas W. Curran, Postmaster, Stamps,	213.00
Irene H. Seel, Collector's and Deputy's Bonds,	135.00
W. W. Gibson & Co., Printing,	24.79
A. W. LaFond & Co., Tax Bills, etc.,	63.20
Sun Publishing Co., Advertising,	43.10
Sullivan's Office Supply Co., Repairs to Adding Machine,	19.50
Attleboro Print Inc., Stationery,	14.31
Hobbs & Warren Inc., Forms,	12.39
George E. Smith, Preparing Deeds, Advertisements, etc.,	90.10
George E. Smith, Miscellaneous Expenses,	49.87
William A. Potter, Deputy, Expenses,	67.00
H. A. Goff, Register, Recording Deeds,	25.21
George E. Smith, Office Rent,	50.00
Total,	\$ 991.87

ASSESSORS' EXPENSES

Minnetta M. Miller, Transfer Cards,	\$ 73.20
Hobbs & Warren Inc., Books and Supplies,	31.01
Sullivan's Office Supply Co., Stationery,	1.76
The Davol Printing House, Printing,	13.62
Leonard A. Witherell, Expenses,	98.63
William E. Fales, Expenses,	111.53
E. Francis Lemaire, Expenses,	68.06
Total,	\$ 397.81

TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSES

Doris Durgin, Clerical Work,	\$ 10.00
George E. Smith, Recording Fees,	112.50
Attleboro Print Inc., Stationery,	16.90
Robinson Seal Company Inc., Supplies,	20.95
Sun Publishing Co., Advertising,	9.50
W. W. Gibson & Co., Printing,	5.88
H. S. Horne & Co., Supplies,	5.23
Irene H. Seel, Surety Bond,	7.50

Postoffice, Postage,	.84
H. A. Dickerman & Son, Supplies,	.35
George E. Smith, Office Rent,	50.00
George E. Smith, Expenses,	18.78
Total,	\$ 258.43

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Registrars:

Albert F. Woodward,	\$ 30.00
Homer L. Lane,	30.00
Elwin F. Nason,	30.00
George E. Smith, Clerk,	40.00

Listing Names:

Ruth B. Murrey,	43.50
Ada Russell,	40.00
Henry I. Shaw,	62.50
W. R. Scott,	45.00

Sundry Persons, Services as Tellers,	122.50
Frank A. Clapp, Posting Warrants,	9.00
Ruth M. Scott, Typing Warrant,	4.00
Senior Class, Norton High School, Clerical Work,	13.75
Vinton I. Reynolds, Addressing Notices,	10.00
The Davol Printing House, Ballots, etc.,	34.30
Attleboro Print Inc., Postal Cards,	14.41
Robinson Seal Co., Inc., Booklets,	3.00

Total,	\$ 531.96
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LEGAL

Swift & Swift, Services,	\$ 67.00
Total,	\$ 67.00

TOWN HALL

W. R. Scott, Janitor,	\$ 283.50
F. W. Hatch, Labor,	12.00
Harry Doherty, Labor,	2.00
Alphee Pelletier, Wood,	28.00
Norton Power & Electric Co., Lighting and Supplies,	84.32

L. A. Foster, Repairs,	2.35
Foster's Garage, Guards for Lights, etc.,	19.00
Woodward Brothers, Wood,	12.00
M. F. Ashley & Co., Repairs,	13.76
J. C. Pratt, Supplies,	9.09
Brownell Hardware Co, Supplies,	1.90
Total,	<u>\$ 467.92</u>

POLICE

Services:

B. B. Scanlon—	
Services and Automobile Expenses,	\$ 1,590.50
Court Fees,	284.65
Dog Officer,	25.00
Telephone,	52.72
Stephen Benaski,	60.30
W. B. Scott,	23.00
William Tucker,	26.00
Carl Draper,	12.00
Mrs. Josephine Crowley,	5.00
Omer Sanville,	3.50
Edward B. Allen,	2.20
E. W. Clarke, M.D.,	20.00
J. C. Pratt, Supplies,	2.80
Total,	<u>\$ 2,107.67</u>

FIRE

Salaries and Wages:

Harold L. Wetherell, Chief,	\$1,562.16
Harry Hewins, Clerk,	25.00
Volunteer Firemen,	510.00

Other Expenses:

American LaFrance-Foamite Corp., Equip- ment and Supplies,	124.39
American Canvas Co., Canvas Covers,	7.20
Attleboro Print, Letterheads,	4.50
C. F. Barney, Battery,	1.95
Boston Coupling Co., Fittings,	2.12
C. A. Baker, Oxygen,	2.20

Brownell Hardware Co., Supplies,	9.78
Myron T. Briggs, Rent of Garage,	60.00
George C. Dean, Rebuilding Cab on LaSalle,	75.00
Dexter Furniture Co., Window Shades,	5.00
C. J. Drane, Gasoline,	15.28
Foster's Garage,	
Repairs, etc.,	59.34
Refitting truck,	75.00
Rent of garage,	60.00
Glidden Co., Paint,	14.20
W. S. Darley Co., Lettering,	3.71
Eureka Fire Hose Division, Hose and Equip- ment,	369.46
Gorham Fire Equipment Co., Gas masks and Miscellaneous Supplies,	82.45
Wm. F. Flynn & Son, Supplies,	2.97
The A. S. Ingraham Co., Supplies,	8.30
Liggett Drug Co., Supplies,	3.48
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., Service,	110.41
Norton Power & Electric Co., Service, Station and Siren,	46.23
Norton Center Garage, Supplies and Repairs,	104.62
J. C. Penney Co., Boots,	15.16
E. T. Roberts, Gasoline, Oil and Supplies,	65.70
Ada Russell, LaSalle Sedan,	150.00
Elmer L. Phillips, Mittens,	6.21
Sears, Roebuck & Co., Oil,	.99
Sturdy Brothers, Rent of Land,	25.00
Total,	\$ 3,607.81

FOREST FIRES

Sundry Persons, Services,	\$ 508.75
Foster's Garage, Repairs,	9.35
O. E. White, Expenses,	3.39
Total,	\$ 521.49

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Robinson Seal Company, Inc., Supplies,	\$ 6.26
W. W. Becker, Services,	92.50

W. W. Becker, Transportation,	20.50
Total,	<u>\$ 119.26</u>

MOTH EXTERMINATION

Bernard A. Cabisius, Supervision,	\$ 38.00
Labor:	
Percival Hatch,	155.00
Carleton Ware,	159.00
W. R. Scott,	10.00
F. W. Hatch,	8.00
John McFarlane,	8.00
General Mills, Inc., Arsenate of Lead,	231.84
Norton Center Garage, Gasoline, Oil, Etc.,	37.97
Foster's Garage, Repairs,	33.95
The Sherwin-Williams Co., Paint,	7.00
Total,	<u>\$ 688.76</u>

TREE WARDEN

The State Tree Expert Co., Removing Trees,	\$ 120.00
Albert A. Lincoln, Services,	33.00
Sundry Persons, Services,	10.75
Total,	<u>\$ 163.75</u>

REORESTATION

Labor:	
Clifford Casey,	\$ 27.20
Fred McHugh,	17.60
Eugene Pike,	17.60
Noah White,	17.60
Sundry Persons (less than \$10.00 each),	30.00
Total,	<u>\$ 110.00</u>

TOWN FARM REPAIRS

Albert Lincoln, Labor,	\$ 6.00
Harry Doherty, Labor,	6.00
Total,	<u>\$ 12.00</u>

RESUSCITATOR (SPECIAL APPROPRIATION)

J. H. Emerson Co., Resuscitator,	\$ 392.80
Sears, Roebuck & Co., Supplies,	6.17
Total,	\$ 398.97

BOARD OF HEALTH

Elmer W. Clarke, M.D., Services,	\$ 94.00
Alphee Pelletier, Inspector of Slaughtering,	100.00
Alphee Pelletier, Inspector of Animals,	100.00
W. W. Becker, Milk Inspector,	50.00
City of Boston, Board and Care, City Hospital,	23.09
E. R. Squibb & Co., Vaccine,	4.16
Alphee Pelletier, Expenses,	2.42
Total,	\$ 373.67

BRISTOL COUNTY TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

County Treasurer,	\$ 1,801.78
Total,	\$ 1,801.78

SCHOOL NURSE

Drusilla Foster, Services,	\$ 900.00
Total,	\$ 900.00

HIGHWAY—CHAPTER 81

Salaries and Wages:

Harold S. Woodward, Superintendent,	\$ 1,632.00
Clifford Casey,	1,260.94
Noah White,	1,044.96
Eugene Pike,	862.20
Ernest Briggs,	596.44
Fred McHugh,	536.25
Lester Holmes,	329.49
Harry McCloskey,	283.16
William Owen,	270.29
Carleton Spatcher,	211.20

Wallace Casey,	207.76
Joseph Gefis,	194.70
Raymond Bilodeau,	121.00
Ralph Leonard,	26.52
Sundry Persons (less than \$25.00 each),	84.63
Independent Coal Tar Co., Road Material,	1,720.55
George E. Mandigo, Bulldozer, Sand and Garvel, Loam,	1,339.50
Koppers Company, Road Material,	196.08
Mansfield Lumber Co., Calcium Chloride, Lumber,	100.69
Kenneth MacLeod, Gravel,	92.70
Town of Franklin, Use of Trucks,	80.00
Southeastern Construction Co., Cement Blocks,	78.29
Charles Kenniston, Sand,	42.20
Maurice Casey, Gravel,	24.50
Harold L. Wetherell, Paint,	24.05
W. C. S. Wood, Supplies,	23.12
Old Colony Crushed Stone Co., Crushed Stone,	19.96
Town of Wrentham, Use of Trucks,	17.60
Morris Reynolds, Sand,	17.20
Peter Blette, Gravel,	9.20
Woodward Brothers, Use of Mower,	8.80
William F. Flynn & Son, Supplies,	.90
Equipment Fund,	2,700.35
Total,	\$14,157.23

HIGHWAY—CHAPTER 90—MAINTENANCE

Salaries and Wages:

Harold S. Woodward, Superintendent,	\$	153.00
Clifford Casey,		134.10
Noah White,		107.80
Fred McHugh,		99.00
Ernest Briggs,		90.20
Harry McCloskey,		77.00
Eugene Pike,		59.40
Lester Holmes,		46.20
Carleton Spatcher,		44.00
Joseph Gefis,		36.30
Raymond Bilodeau,		30.80
Sundry Persons (less than \$25.00 each),		36.85
Independent Coal Tar o., Road Material,		234.49

Woodward Bros., Use of Mower,	6.40
Equipment Fund,	345.40
Total,	\$1,500.94

BRIDGES AND EQUIPMENT

Harry Doherty, Lumber,	\$ 11.75
Charles Jackson, Fence Posts,	10.20
Tools and Supplies:	
S. F. Doane, Inc.,	59.37
Wm. F. Flynn & Son,	31.02
Mansfield Lumber Co.,	23.22
Pierce Hardware Co.,	15.53
W. C. S. Wood,	7.35
J. C. Pratt,	6.51
M. F. Ashley & Co.,	5.30
Total,	\$ 170.25

SNOW REMOVAL

Salaries and Wages:	
Harold S. Woodward, Superintendent,	\$ 111.00
Clifford Casey,	102.22
Noah White,	52.39
Eugene Pike,	46.02
Wallace Casey,	44.89
Sundry Persons (less than \$25.00 each),	98.65
Trucks:	
W. E. Fales,	88.75
B. F. Fales,	86.25
Winneconnet Turkey Farm,	77.50
J. E. Fitzgerald,	38.75
Mansfield Lumber Co., Calcium Chloride,	74.00
George E. Mandigo, Sand,	40.00
Equipment Fund,	185.50
Total,	\$ 1,045.92

EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT

Norton Center Garage, Gasoline,	\$ 335.76
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Norton Center Garage, Tires, Repairs, etc.,	262.53
Foster's Garage, Repairs,	171.40
Socony-Vacuum Oil Co., Oil,	73.05
R. H. Files and H. J. O'Keefe Co., Parts,	52.36
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., Service,	46.36
John J. Gobell Co., Supplies,	21.64
William F. Flynn & Son, Supplies,	21.98
Pierce Hardware Co., Supplies,	15.22
N. E. Road Machinery Co., Parts,	13.27
Registry of Motor Vehicles, Registration,	12.00
E. G. Hayes, Parts,	5.36
Carpenter Mfg. Co., Battery and Bulbs,	3.40
Boston Radiator Works, Repairs,	3.00
MacAdam Motors, Parts,	3.10
DeLuxe Felter & Piston Co, Parts,	1.50
W. C. S. Wood, Supplies,	.75
Andrews & Pierce, Express,	.53
L. E. Ball, Express,	.50
Brownell Hardware Co., Supplies,	.45

Total,	<u>\$ 1,044.16</u>
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STREET LIGHTS

Norton Power & Electric Co., Service,	\$1,982.52
Total,	<u>\$ 1,982.52</u>

PUBLIC WELFARE ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Carl J. Bottomley, Salary, Agent,	\$ 165.00
Corinne J. Bottomley, Salary, Clerk,	120.00
Alice M. Rosequist, Salary, Agent,	936.00
W. R. LaChapelle, Services, Acting Agent,	89.00
Alice M. Rosequist, Expenses,	182.86
Carl J. Bottomley, Expenses,	66.59
Mansfield Press, Printing and Stationery,	46.61
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., Service,	31.37
Lincoln Furniture Co., Desk, Chairs,	30.00
Haskell-Johnson Co., Cabinets,	39.50
Kareemo Furniture Co., Heater,	25.00
Valentine Co., Rental of Typewriter,	33.50

Attleboro Print, Stationery,	11.02
Yawman-Erbe Mfg. Co., Supplies,	11.32
W. R. LaChapelle, Expenses,	9.00
Miscellaneous Expenses,	26.67

Total,	\$ 1,823.44
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NOTE: The above total was charged to the following accounts:

Town Appropriation—Welfare Administration,	\$1,323.44
Federal Grant—O. A. A. Administration,	450.00
Federal Grant—A. D. C. Administration,	50.00

Total,	\$ 1,823.44
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PUBLIC WELFARE

Cash Aid:

Sundry Persons,	\$ 828.00
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Groceries:

M. O. Alger,	310.38
Norton Public Market,	38.30
J. G. Adair,	22.74

Fuel:

R. W. Fales,	57.08
E. T. Roberts,	1.20

Board and Care:

Mrs. Eugene Courchene,	224.00
Mrs. Rose Bellavance,	220.00
Mrs. Ethel Collins,	216.00
Mrs. George Charette,	35.00
Mary Warchal,	35.00
Mrs. Charlotte Goff,	30.00
Edward O'Connor,	15.00
Mrs. Charles Tribou,	6.00

Medicine and Medical Attendance:

Dr. E. W. Clarke,	432.00
Sturdy Memorial Hospital,	240.00
Morton Hospital,	63.00
Miscellaneous,	25.60

Rent:

B. B. Scanlon,	132.00
E. Boivin,	9.00

Clothing:

Miscellaneous,	21.66
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State Institutions:

Mass. Department of Public Welfare,	379.00
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Outside Relief:

City of Attleboro,	700.39
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City of Taunton,	402.42
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Miscellaneous:

Surplus Commodities Division, Administrative Expenses,	120.86
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W. R. Scott, Trucking,	102.00
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E. G. Sherman & Son, Funeral,	90.00
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Roland Sweet, Trucking,	53.00
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Miscellaneous,	29.67
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Total,	\$ 4,839.30
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AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Sundry Persons, Cash Aid,	\$ 2,917.00
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Total,	\$ 2,917.00
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Note: Of the above total, \$1,460.00 was charged against the Town appropriation, and the balance of \$1,457.00 against the Federal Grant.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Sundry Persons, Cash Aid,	\$32,487.45
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Aid by other cities and towns:

Town of Berkley,	5.00
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City of Attleboro,	169.08
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City of Taunton,	80.09
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City of Revere,	62.00
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Town of Wareham,	21.50
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Total,	\$32,825.12
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NOTE: Of the above total, \$19,413.48 was charged against the Town Appropriation, and the balance, \$13,411.64 against the Federal Grant.

SOLDIERS' RELIEF

Sundry Persons, Cash Aid,	\$ 296.00
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E. W. Clarke, M. D., Services,	174.00
W. C. S. Wood, Fuel,	58.00
Sturdy Memorial Hospital, Board and Care,	37.00
Mass. Soldiers' Relief Association, Dues,	6.00
Total,	<u>\$ 571.00</u>

STATE AND MILITARY AID

Sundry Persons, Cash Aid,	<u>\$ 198.00</u>
Total,	<u>\$ 198.00</u>

SCHOOLS

Superintendent:

L. G. Nourse, Salary and Travel Allowance, \$2,400.00

Teachers' Salaries:

Charles S. Randall,	\$2,600.00
William C. Morrison,	1,628.00
Helen J. Caffrey,	1,641.75
Jean M. Findlater,	1,500.00
Helen Roche,	1,231.00
Loretta McHugh,	1,516.00
Gertrude Woodward,	630.00
Mary E. Larkin,	1,008.75
Mildred B. Greene,	1,300.00
Eleanor M. Savaria,	684.75
Lucille Clapp,	1,240.00
Mildred E. Wetherell,	1,200.00
Barbara Freeman,	1,055.01
Esther M. Bradstreet,	1,300.00
Clarence H. Salls,	1,202.19
Margaret Crouse,	1,102.75
Dorothy L. Russell,	1,020.00
Charlotte S. Harnden,	610.00
Eleanor McLaughlin,	1,015.00
Alice Illingworth,	800.00
Rowena B. Rice,	800.00
William Mahoney,	434.50
Elizabeth Raymond,	350.00
Marion C. Fales,	87.00
Marjorie C. Foster,	34.00

Eleanor Clapp,	26.00	
Mabel H. Cutler,	8.00	
Irene Parker,	8.00	
Anna L. Hey,	7.50	
Virginia Prario,	5.75	
		\$26,045.95
Books,		770.25
Educational Supplies,		1,769.19
Tuition:		
City of Attleboro,	\$ 446.76	
City of Taunton,	226.36	
County of Bristol,	110.00	
New Bedford Vocational School,	7.20	
		790.32
Transportation:		
Walter H. Barrows,	\$2,918.00	
Carleton Draper,	1,930.00	
H. W. Honey,	1,480.00	
		6,328.00
Janitors' Services:		
Adelbert Lamothe,	\$ 565.50	
John Helpard,	775.00	
Fred Keene,	997.50	
Charles Adair,	945.00	
Walter Becker,	117.00	
		3,400.00
Fuel and Light:		
F. E. Roach,	\$1,689.07	
Norton Power & Electric Co.,	317.14	
Miscellaneous,	102.85	
		2,109.06
Maintenance and Repairs:		
Charles S. Randall,	\$ 310.05	
Brulin & Co., Inc.,	221.72	
Massachusetts Reformatory,	197.60	
Atherton Furniture Co.,	99.75	
B. J. Yelle,	74.18	
G. W. Partridge,	71.86	
Miscellaneous,	836.35	
		1,811.51
Furniture and Furnishings:		
Taunton Gas Light Co., Ranges and Refrigerator,	294.50	

Massachusetts Reformatory, Furni- ture,	197.80	
Thorp & Martin, Office Equipment,	159.80	
Underwood - Elliott - Fisher Co., Typewriters,	141.00	
Babbitt & Simmons, Installation of Equipment,	117.00	
Miscellaneous,	87.00	
		<u>997.10</u>

Miscellaneous:

Elmer W. Clarke, School Physician,	\$200.00	
Mrs. Helen W. Gavin, Clerk of School Committee,	50.00	
Drusilla Foster, Truant Officer,	25.00	
N. E. Telephone & Telegraph Co., Service,	153.85	
L. G. Nourse, Traveling Expenses,	65.91	
Mabel H. Cutler, Clerical Work,	242.33	
Donald Becker, Clerical Work,	20.79	
Miscellaneous,	103.33	
		<u>861.21</u>

Total,	\$47,282.59
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SCHOOLS—VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

Charlotie S. Harnden, Salary,	\$	90.00
Supplies,		9.46

Total,	\$	99.46
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LIBRARY

Norton Public Library, Appropriation,	\$	1,000.00
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Total,	\$	1,000.00
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CARE OF COMMON

Sundry Persons, Labor,	\$	23.11
Foster's Garage, Repairing Posts,		10.00
W. C. S. Wood, Fertilizer,		4.80

Total,	\$	37.91
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MEMORIAL DAY

Taunton Post 103, American Legion, Bugle and Drum Corps,	\$ 50.00
Boston Store, Flags,	49.90
American Legion Auxiliary, Refreshments,	20.00
Bruce, the Florist, Wreath,	5.00
Total,	\$ 124.90

TOWN REPORTS

W. W. Gibson & Co., Printing,	\$ 361.36
Distribution:	
Ada Russell,	6.00
Vinton I. Reynolds,	6.00
W. R. Scott,	6.00
Total,	\$ 379.36

INSURANCE

Ora A. Andrews,	\$ 835.87
George B. Clements Estate,	609.86
Edgar M. Holmes Agency,	525.33
Varvey W. Mosher,	552.01
Travelers Insurance Company,	184.00
Marguerite M. Mondor, Clerical Work,	2.00
Total,	\$ 2,709.07

UNPAID BILLS—PRIOR YEARS

B. B. Scanlon, Services and Expenses, 1941,	\$ 80.00
Total,	\$ 80.00

HICKS PICTURES

Frederick E. Smith, Portraits,	\$ 100.00
Total,	\$ 100.00

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

Saltzman's Army and Navy Stores, Uniforms,	\$	241.59
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Service,		179.77
Norton Public Library, Electric Lighting,		89.02
Sullivan's Office Supply Co., Equipment and Supplies, for Rationing Board,		93.05
M. Hoffman & Co., Insignia,		37.23
Vinton I. Reynolds, Expenses,		20.10
Robert Hay, Auxiliary Police, Belts,		20.00
Norton Center Garage, Desk and Chair,		20.00
B. H. Blackinton & Co., Badges,		14.97
W. W. Gibson & Co., Arm Bands,		14.92
Attleboro Y. M. C. A., Mimeographing,		13.55
Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Registra- tion Fee,		10.00
Pierce Hardware Co., Galvanized Tubs,		9.15
J. E. Gilson & Co., Night Sticks,		9.00
Post Office, Postal Cards,		5.00
C. S. Randall, Expenses,		4.82
Beach & Belleden, Stationery,		4.27
B. J. Yelle, Labor Installing Plywood,		2.50
Norton High School Commercial Department, Mimeographing,		2.25
Total,	\$	791.19

WATER DEPARTMENT

Administrative Expenses:

Leonard A. Witherell, Clerk,	\$	200.00
George E. Smith, Collector,		200.00
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., Service,		75.32
The Davol Printing House, Printing,		27.13
Post Office, Stamped Envelopes,		64.32
New England Water Works Association, Dues,		6.00

Labor:

Fred Miller,	2,108.57
Clarence Rich,	1,317.86
Raymond Bilodeau,	56.40
Joseph Moniz, Jr.,	44.60
Eugene Pike,	27.25
Manuel Azevedo,	15.00

Louis Moniz,	14.80
W. R. Scott,	12.00
Sundry Persons (less than \$10.00 each),	23.20
Other Expenses:	
Norton Power & Electric Co., Power,	2,317.25
Norton Center Garage, Gasoline, Tires, Repairs, Etc.,	274.53
Eureka Pipe Co., Pipe and Fittings,	206.64
The Palfrey Co., Painting Portion of Tank,	200.00
W. C. S. Wood, Coal,	58.00
Walworth Company, Valves and Tools,	53.98
J. C. Pratt, Gasoline, Supplies, Etc.,	50.49
George A. Caldwell Co., Fittings,	45.29
Red Hed Mfg. Co., Fittings,	33.00
Charles J. McCarthy Co., Suction Hose,	36.25
W. R. Park, Inc., Valve,	28.39
Foxboro Co., Charts,	24.56
Homelite Corp., Repairs to Pump,	23.00
Fairbanks, Morse & Co., Nozzles,	22.00
Foster's Garage, Repairs,	19.10
Farnan Brass Works Co., Fittings,	19.36
Pope & Road, Fittings,	17.99
Miscellaneous (less than \$15.00 each),	102.98
Total,	\$ 7,725.26

WATER - SPECIAL APROPRIATION

NORTH WORCESTER STREET

Charles L. Shea, Excavating Trench and Laying Pipe,	\$ 2,893.60
Corcoran Supply Co., Caulking Lead,	46.55
New England Meter Repair Co., Curb Boxes,	37.00
Joseph Moniz, Jr., Labor,	17.10
Sundry Persons, Labor (less than \$10.00 each),	17.60
Miscellaneous,	37.11
Total,	\$ 3,048.96

INTEREST

Old Colony Trust Co., Water Loan,	\$ 1,912.50
East Weymouth Savings Bank, High School Heating Plant,	37.50

National Shawmut Bank, Sturdy School Addition,	20.00
First National Bank of Attleboro, Temporary Loan,	74.31

Total,	\$ 2,044.31
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MATURING DEBT

Old Colony Trust Co., Water Loan,	\$ 4,000.00
East Weymouth Savings Bank, High School Heating Plant,	1,000.00
National Shawmut Bank, Sturdy School Addition,	1,000.00

Total,	\$ 6,000.00
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TEMPORARY LOANS

First National Bank of Attleboro,	\$50.00.00
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Total,	\$50,000.00
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PERPETUAL CARE—CEMETERIES

Labor:

F. W. Hatch,	\$ 292.75
W. R. Scott,	291.00
Patrick Griffin,	50.75
Hugh Dillon,	18.00
John MacFarland,	14.00
C. Harvey,	15.00
Lincoln Leonard,	12.00
Sundry Persons (less than \$10.00 each),	9.00

Other:

Norton Center Garage, Gasoline, Oil, Etc.,	57.93
B. F. Fales, Loam,	15.00
Harry Salley, Mowing,	11.00
Miscellaneous,	33.70

Total,	\$ 820.13
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STATE AND COUNTY TAXES

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

State Tax,	\$ 5,850.00
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State Parks & Reservations Tax,	98.55
State Audit Tax,	890.14
Assessment—Sect. 35, Chap. 117,	16.00
County of Bristol:	
County Tax,	2,727.06
Total,	<u>\$ 9,581.75</u>

DOG LICENSES

County of Bristol,	<u>\$ 778.00</u>
Total,	<u>\$ 778.00</u>

FIRE DISTRICT TAXES

W. C. S. Wood, Treasurer, Norton Fire District,	<u>\$ 3,726.72</u>
Total,	<u>\$ 3,726.72</u>

PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

George E. Smith, Treasurer,	<u>\$ 900.00</u>
Total,	<u>\$ 900.00</u>

REFUNDS

Sundry Persons, Motor Vehicle Excise,	<u>\$ 5.20</u>
Total,	<u>\$ 5.20</u>
Total Expenditures,	<u>\$218,427.78</u>

HICKS TRUST FUND

SUMMARY OF TRANSACTIONS—INCOME ACCOUNT,
1942

Interest and Dividends received,	\$ 96.00
Less Transfer to Town of Norton—one-half of income,	<u>48.00</u>

Balance of Income Available for Cemetery Care,	\$ 48.00
Transfer from Hicks Reserve Fund,	100.00
Cash Balance January 1, 1942,	37.92
Total,	\$ 185.92
Paid Sundry Persons for Cemetery Care,	124.10
Cash Balance December 31, 1942,	\$ 61.82

INVESTMENTS DECEMBER 31, 1942

80 Shares National Shawmut Bank.
 \$1400 Boston & Maine RR. Bonds.
 \$1000 Eastern States Refrigerating Co.
 \$134.20 Cash on Deposit.

HICKS RESERVE FUND

SUMMARY OF TRANSACTIONS, YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1942

Income:

Dividends on Stocks,	\$1,498.00
Interest on Bonds,	3,182.78*
Interest on Mortgage,	169.44
Interest and Dividends from Sav- ings and Co-operative Banks,	607.50

Gross Income,	\$5,457.72
Expenses of Administration,	601.30

Net Income,	\$4,856.42
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Add:

Gain on Securities sold,	250.00
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Total,	\$5,106.42
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Less:

 Balance of Mortgage Note Deter-
 mined to be Worthless and Writ-

ten Off,	\$2,700.00	
Transfer to Town of Norton,	100.00	
Transfer to Hicks Trust Fund,	100.00	
		2,900.00
Net Increase in Fund for Year,		\$ 2,206.42
Balance at Beginning of Year,		156,198.83
Balance at End of Year,		\$158,405.25

* Interest on bonds includes estimated accrued interest on United States Defense Bonds based on yield to maturity at the rate of 2.53 per cent per annum, including approximately \$400.00 applicable to the year 1941. It is felt that the accrual of income at the same annual rate over the entire term of the bonds, as above, results in a more accurate statement of the earnings of the Fund, inasmuch as redemption of the bonds prior to maturity (in which case the entire amount of accrued interest would not be realized) is not contemplated.

HICKS RESERVE FUND

STATEMENT AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1942

Cash,		\$ 167.27
Savings Bank Deposits:		
Attleborough Savings Bank,	\$4,000.00	
Taunton Savings Bank,	3,500.00	
Attleboro Trust Company,	3,000.00	
Bristol County Savings Bank,	3,000.00	
Bristol County Trust Company,	500.00	
		14,000.00
Shares of Co-operative Banks, etc.:		
35 shares Norton Savings & Loan Association,	\$10,500.00	
10 shares Taunton Co-operative Bank,	2,000.00	
		12,500.00
United States Government Bonds:		

\$64,000 Defense Series F,	\$48,832.98	
\$2,000 Treasury 2½ per cent 1968-63,	2,000.00	
		<u>50,832.98</u>

Miscellaneous Bonds:

\$5,000 Boston Edison Company,	\$5,000.00	
\$5,000 Celotex Corp.,	5,000.00	
\$5,000 Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Ry. Co.,	5,000.00	
\$1,000 Delaware & Hudson Co.,	1,000.00	
\$5,000 Eastern Gas & Fuel Asso- ciates,	5,000.00	
\$100 Eastern States Refrigerat- ing Co.,	100.00	
\$5,000 Gatineau Power Co.,	5,000.00	
\$5,000 Great Northern Ry. Co.,	5,000.00	
\$3,000 New York, New Haven & Hartford RR. Co.,	3,000.00	
\$2,000 Potter Realty Co.,	2,000.00	
\$5,000 Southern California Edi- son Co.,	5,000.00	
		<u>41,100.00</u>

Stocks:

100 shares Aetna Life Insurance Co.,	\$4,000.00	
28 shares Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Ry. Co.,	2,800.00	
100 shares First Boston Corp.,	3,875.00	
200 shares First National Bank of Boston,	9,025.00	
400 shares National Shawmut Bank of Boston,	10,575.00	
40 shares Second National Bank of Boston,	5,480.00	
100 shares Manufacturers' Trust Co.,	4,050.00	
		<u>39,805.00</u>

Total,	<u>\$158,405.25</u>
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Note: The values at which the above investments are stated were established at the dates of acquisition of the respective items (plus accrued interest in the case of United

State Defense Bonds, as explained elsewhere in this report) and do not reflect subsequent fluctuations in market quotations.

TREASURER'S RECEIPTS

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Corporation Taxes,	\$ 9,485.60
Income Taxes,	11,351.75
School Fund,	5,932.96
Superintendent of Schools,	1,159.99
Highway Fund,	6,941.63
Meal Tax,	198.92
State Aid,	130.00
Tuition and Vocational Education,	459.04
Inspection of Animals,	50.00
Highways—Chapter 81,	5,860.82
Federal Grant—Old Age Assistance,	14,941.19
Federal Grant—Aid to Dependent Children,	1,299.17
Old Age Assistance,	12,415.55
Aid to Dependent Children,	1,206.00
Public Welfare,	585.69
Director of Standards,	24.00
Department of Public Works,	45.00

George E. Smith, Collector:

Taxes, 1942,	58,645.65
Taxes, Previous Years,	16,547.60
Motor Vehicle Excise,	8,033.95
Fire District Taxes,	3,721.80
Interest on Taxes and Excise,	714.00
Poll Demands,	24.50
Water Collections,	18,239.17
Sundry Persons, Liquor Licenses,	2,700.00
County of Bristol, Dog Fund,	638.26
George E. Smith, Town Clerk, Dog Licenses,	772.60
Town of Norton, Equipment Fund,	3,231.05
Sundry Persons, Rent, Town Farm,	312.60
City of Boston, School Department,	55.08
Sundry Cities and Towns, Old Age Assistance,	376.68
Sundry Cities and Towns, Welfare,	375.33

The Attleborough Savings Bank, Interest, Equipment Fund,	82.51
First National Bank of Attleboro, Temporary Loans,	40,000.00
Sundry Persons, Cemetery Trust Funds,	900.00
Cemetery Funds, Reimbursement,	820.13
Sale of Pines Fund, Transfer,	150.00
Sundry Persons, Tax Title Redemptions,	791.48
Sundry Persons, Miscellaneous Licenses and Permits,	195.00
N. Y., N. H. & H. RR., Forest Fire Damages,	76.00
Sundry Persons, Fires,	210.00
R Sarro, Slaughtering License,	99.99
Sundry Persons, Interest and Costs on Tax Title Redemptions,	113.24
Various Insurance Companies, Fire Loss, High School,	242.35
Sundry Persons, Town Hall Rentals,	37.00
Hicks Trust Fund, Portion of Income,	96.40
Hicks Reserve Fund, Portion of Income,	100.00
W. W. Becker, Sealer of Weights and Measures Fees,	26.38
Sundry Persons, Sale of Foreclosed Tax Titles,	145.00
Miscellaneous,	12.82
Total,	\$230,578.80
Balance January 1, 1942,	37,879.38
Total,	\$268,458.18
Disbursed on approved warrants,	218,427.78
Balance, December 31, 1942:	
Cash in banks and in transit (including Equipment Fund),	\$50,005.40
Cash on hand,	25.00
	<u>\$50,030.40</u>

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

GENERAL TAXES

Balances January 1, 1942:

Levy of 1938,	\$ 50.74	
Levy of 1939,	469.90	
Levy of 1940,	6,439.65	
Levy of 1941,	15,463.51	
	<u> </u>	\$22,423.80
Commitments—Levy of 1942:		
Polls,	\$ 2,266.00	
Personal,	5,296.50	
Real,	65,276.25	
	<u> </u>	72,838.75
Adjustment,		17.16
		<u> </u>
Total,		\$95,279.71
Less:		
Collections,	\$75,193.25	
Tax Titles,	1,376.46	
Abatements,	199.25	
	<u> </u>	\$76,768.96
Balances December 31, 1942:		
Levy of 1938,	\$ 38.70	
Levy of 1939,	77.90	
Levy of 1940,	297.62	
Levy of 1941,	4,731.93	
Levy of 1942,	13,364.60	
	<u> </u>	\$18,510.75

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

Balances January 1, 1942:		
Levy of 1938,	\$ 143.80	
Levy of 1939,	103.99	
Levy of 1940,	271.83	
Levy of 1941,	628.18	
	<u> </u>	\$ 1,147.80
Commitment—Levy of 1942,	\$ 7,839.26	
Refunds,	5.20	
	<u> </u>	7,844.46
		<u> </u>
		\$ 8,992.26
Less:		
Collections,	\$ 8,033.95	

Abatements,	109.81	
	<u> </u>	8,143.76

Balances December 31, 1942:

Levy of 1938,	\$ 107.13	
Levy of 1939,	91.99	
Levy of 1940,	240.14	
Levy of 1941,	123.61	
Levy of 1942,	285.63	
	<u> </u>	\$ 848.50

FIRE DISTRICT TAXES

Balances January 31, 1943:

Levy of 1939,	\$ 20.50	
Levy of 1940,	296.52	
Levy of 1941,	636.61	
	<u> </u>	\$ 953.63

Commitment—Levy of 1942,		3,684.85
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Total,		\$ 4,638.48
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Less:

Collections,	\$ 3,726.72	
Tax Titles,	44.33	
	<u> </u>	\$ 3,771.05

Balances December 31, 1942:

Levy of 1939,	\$ 1.12	
Levy of 1940,	2.08	
Levy of 1941,	212.11	
Levy of 1942,	652.12	
	<u> </u>	\$ 867.43

GEORGE E. SMITH, Tax Collector

TRUST FUNDS

SALE OF PINES FUND

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1942,	\$5,035.09	
Interest received,	99.46	
	<u> </u>	\$5,134.55
Funds withdrawn,		150.00
		<u> </u>
Balance Jan. 1, 1943,		\$4,984.55

HENRIETTA HODGES LIBRARY FUND

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1942,	\$2,000.00	
Interest received,	60.60	
	<u> </u>	\$2,060.60
Funds withdrawn,		60.60
		<u> </u>
Balance Jan. 12, 1943,		\$2,000.00

NORTON WAR CHEST

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1942,	\$ 337.06	
Interest received,	3.37	
	<u> </u>	
Balance Jan. 1, 1943,		\$340.43

WATERMAN FUND

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1942,	\$ 195.10	
Interest received,	2.44	
Balance Jan. 1, 1943,		\$ 197.54
GEORGE E. SMITH, Treasurer		

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

I submit herewith my report for the year ended December 31, 1942.

General

The financial operations of the Town for the year 1942 may be summarized as follows:

Appropriations voted at annual Town Meeting,	\$134,611.50	
State and County Taxes,	\$9,565.75	
Less Overestimates of State and		
County Taxes, 1941,	1,195.55	
	<u> </u>	8,370.20
Total Amount to be Raised,		\$142,981.70
Less Transfers:		
From Excess and Deficiency Ac-		

count,	\$7,000.00	
From Equipment Fund,	2,700.00	
From Sale of Pines Fund,	150.00	
	<u> </u>	9,850.00
Total Amount to be Raised from Current Revenue,		\$133,131.70
Poll and Property Taxes Levied,	\$72,838.75	
Overlay for Year,	2,395.82	
	<u> </u>	70,442.93
Estimated Revenue from Other Sources,		\$62,688.77
Actual Revenue Received,		82,904.35
		<u> </u>
Excess of Receipts over Estimates,		\$20,215.58
Less 1942 Taxes Charged to Tax Titles,		629.25
		<u> </u>
Surplus Revenue for the Year,		\$19,586.33
Appropriation Balances not Carried Forward,		5,494.81
		<u> </u>
Total Surplus for the Year,		\$ 25,081.14
Excess and Deficiency Account, January 1, 1942,		35,295.85
Tax Title Redemptions,		791.48
		<u> </u>
Total,		\$ 61,168.47
Less:		
Transfer (see above),	\$7,000.00	
Prior Years' Taxes Charged to Tax Title Account,	747.21	
Transfers Voted at Special Town Meeting,	930.85	
	<u> </u>	8,678.06
		<u> </u>
Excess and Deficiency Account, December 31, 1942,		\$ 52,490.41

Cash

The balance of general cash at December 31, 1942, was \$50,030.40. This balance represented an increase of \$12,-151.02 over the corresponding amount at the end of 1941, in spite of the fact that temporary loans, which amounted to

\$10,000.00 at December 31, 1941, were completely liquidated during 1942.

Taxes

A further reduction in uncollected taxes took place during the year. A comparative summary of the status of these accounts is given below:

	December 31, 1940	December 31, 1941	December 31, 1942
Cuprrrent Year's Taxes Outstanding (percent- age of total levy,	28.6%	21.5%	18.5%
Prior Years' Taxes Out- standing (amount),	\$10,070.29	\$6,960.29	\$5,146.15
Motor Vehicle Excise Out- standing,	1,156.61	1,147.80	848.50
Fire District Taxes Out- standing,	1,397.24	953.63	867.43

Accounts Receivable—Water

Collections of water rates during the year amounted to \$18,239.17, as compared with \$17,495.46 during 1941, and the balance outstanding at December 31, 1942 was \$5,267.01, against \$5,899.15 at the end of 1941.

Debt

The bonded debt of the Town at December 31, 1942, amounted to \$45,000.00, payable as follows:

Year	Total	Water	Center School
1943,	\$5,000	\$4,000	\$1,000
1944,	5,000	4,000	1,000
1945-49 (Annually),	4,000	4,000	.....
1950-54 “	3,000	3,000	.....

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR M. FREEMAN,

Town Accountant

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

	Jan. 1, 1942 Balance	Appropri- ation	Receipts & Transfers	Total	Expended	Balance Dec. 31, '42
General Government, Salaries,	\$	\$ 3,470.00	\$	\$ 3,470.00	\$ 3,470.00	\$
Selectmen's Expenses,		275.00	.....	275.00	275.00	.....
Accountant's Expenses,		150.00	.....	150.00	117.78	32.22
Treasurer's Expenses,		635.00	100.16	735.16	735.16	.....
Tax Collector's Expenses,		700.00	291.87	991.87	991.87	.....
Assessors' Expenses,		400.00	.....	400.00	397.81	2.19
Town Clerk's Expenses,		275.00	.....	275.00	258.43	16.57
Election and Registration,		550.00	.....	550.00	531.96	18.04
Legal Expenses,		50.00	17.00	67.00	67.00	.....
Town Hall,		600.00	.....	600.00	467.92	132.08
Town Hall Plumbing,	\$ 275.00	.....	.....	275.00	.....	*275.00
Police,		1,900.00	207.67	2,107.67	2,107.67	.....
Fire,		3,625.00	.....	3,625.00	3,607.81	17.19
Scaler of Weights and Meas- ures,		140.00	.....	140.00	119.26	20.74
Tree Warden,		175.00	.....	175.00	163.75	11.25
Forest Fires,		500.00	21.49	521.49	521.49	.....
Moth Extermination, Elm Trees,		850.00	.....	850.00	688.76	161.24
Reforestation,		150.00	.....	150.00	110.00	*40.00
Town Farm Repairs,	241.30	.....	.....	241.30	12.00	*229.30
Resuscitator,		400.00	.....	400.00	398.97	1.03

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES—(Cont.)

	Balance Jan. 1, 1942	Appropri- ation	Receipts & Transfers	Total	Expended	Balance Dec. 31, '42
Board of Health,	.....	1,000.00	.....	1,000.00	373.67	626.33
B. C. T. B. Hospital,	.....	1,801.78	.....	1,801.78	1,801.78	.....
School Nurse,	.....	900.00	.....	900.00	900.00	.....
Highway—Ch. 81,	.....	7,125.00	8,494.34	15,619.34	14,157.23	1,462.11
Highway—Ch. 90,	66.48	.....	.....	66.48	.....	*66.48
Highway—Ch. 90, Maintenance,	.....	500.00	1,000.94	1,500.94	1,500.94	.....
Bridges and Equipment,	.....	400.00	.....	400.00	170.25	229.75
Snow Removal,	.....	1,500.00	.....	1,500.00	1,045.92	454.08
Street Lights,	.....	1,992.36	.....	1,992.36	1,982.52	9.84
W. P. A. Fund,	59.02	200.00	.....	259.02	.....	*259.02
Equipment Account,	3.71	2,000.00	.....	2,003.71	1,044.16	*959.55
Equipment Account — New Equipment,	219.50	700.00	.....	919.50	.....	*919.50
Public Welfare,	.....	5,300.00	(460.70)	4,839.30	4,839.30	.....
Public Welfare, Adm. Exp.	.....	1,404.00	(50.00)	1,354.00	1,323.44	30.56
Aid to Dependent Children,	.....	2,500.00	(1,000.00)	1,500.00	1,460.00	40.00
Aid to Dependent Children, Federal Grant,	270.91	.....	1,269.50	1,540.41	1,457.00	*83.41
Aid to Dependent Children,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Federal Grant—Adm. Exp.	30.01	.....	29.67	59.68	50.00	*9.68
Old Age Assistance,	.....	17,000.00	2,413.48	19,413.48	19,413.48	.....
Old Age Assistance, Federal Grant,	146.39	.....	13,265.25	13,411.64	13,411.64	.....

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES—(Cont.)

	Balance Jan. 1, 1942	Appropri- ation	Receipts & Transfers	Total	Expended	Balance Dec. 31, '42
Old Age Assistance, Federal						
Grant, Adm. Exp.	8.24		442.14	450.38	450.00	*.38
Soldiers' Relief,		650.00		650.00	571.00	79.00
State and Military Aid,		200.00		200.00	198.00	2.00
Schools,		47,464.00	(100.00)	47,364.00	47,282.59	81.41
Schools, Vocational Education,			100.00	100.00	99.46	.54
Schools, Laboratory Repairs,			230.85	230.85		*230.85
Norton Public Library,		1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00	
Care of Common,		50.00		50.00	37.91	12.09
Memorial Day,		150.00		150.00	124.90	25.10
Town Reports,		379.36		379.36	379.36	
Reserve Fund,		2,000.00	(850.98)	1,149.02		1,149.02
Insurance,		2,700.00	9.07	2,709.07	2,709.07	
Unpaid Bills—1941,		100.00		100.00	80.00	*20.00
Hicks Pictures,		100.00		100.00	100.00	
Committee on Public Safety,	21.08	1,000.00		1,021.08	791.19	*229.89
Water Department,		8,500.00		8,500.00	7,725.26	774.74
Water, No. Worcester St.,	572.45	3,000.00		3,572.45	3,048.96	*523.49
Water, Washington St.,	3,171.12			3,171.12		*3,171.12
Interest,		2,150.00		2,150.00	2,044.31	105.69
Debt,		6,000.00		6,000.00	6,000.00	
Totals,	\$5,085.21	\$134,611.50	\$ 25,431.75	\$165,128.46	\$152,615.98	\$ 12,512.48

* Carried forward to 1943.

Parentheses indicate deductions.

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1942 and 1941

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS	Dec. 31		LIABILITIES,	Dec. 31	
	1942	1941		1942	1941
Cash:			Notes Payable:		
General,	\$50,030.40	\$37,879.38	Revenue Anticipation Notes,		\$10,000.00
Pine Fund,	4,984.55	4,982.20	Appropriation Balances,	\$ 6,924.20	\$ 4,608.58
War Memorial Fund,	340.43	332.06			
Totals,	\$55,355.38	\$43,193.64	Special Funds:		
			Pine Fund,	4,984.55	4,982.20
			War Memorial Fund,	340.43	332.06
			Highway Equipment Fund,	4,011.32	3,480.27
Accounts Receivable:			Total,	\$ 9,336.30	\$ 8,794.53
General Taxes,	\$18,510.75	\$22,423.80			
Motor Vehicle Excise,	848.50	1,147.80	Federal Grants, OAA and ADC,	93.47	455.55
Fire District Taxes,	867.43	953.63	Overestimates, State and County		
Water Rates,	5,267.01	5,899.15	Taxes,		1,195.55
Public Welfare, OAA and ADC,	3,328.82	3,010.45			
Tax Titles,	3,723.64	2,883.33	Overlays:		
Tax Title Possessions,	1,224.44	1,834.66	Balances,	4,156.69	3,454.66
State and County Aid to High-			Surplus,	4,614.26	3,140.80
ways,	3,714.23	80.71			
Perpetual Care Funds,	18.97	18.97	Total,	8,770.95	\$ 6,595.46
Total,	\$37,503.79	\$38,252.50			

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 1942 and 1942 (Cont.)

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

State Assessment, to be raised,	16.00	Reserves Against Uncollected Revenue,	
		15,259.84	15,729.02
Totals,	\$92,875.17	Surplus Revenue,	
		52,490.41	34,067.45
Totals,	\$92,875.17	Totals,	
		\$92,875.17	\$81,446.14

BURIAL FUNDS COMMON CEMETERY

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit January 1 1942	Interest Received	Expended Care of Lots	Balance January 1 1943
Alden	\$ 100.00	\$ 104.01	\$ 2.09	\$ 4.00	\$ 102.10
Arno, Saloni-Flora	75.00	76.25	.95	1.00	76.20
Arnold, Emelia K.	100.00	108.54	2.17	8.00	102.71
Barker, Alfred	100.00	103.36	2.07	2.00	103.43
Bernasconi-Drake	100.00	102.25	2.05	2.00	102.30
Blandin, Benjamin	50.00	51.45	.64	1.00	51.09
Braman, Isaac T.	100.00	102.12	2.05	2.00	102.17
Briggs, Alfred Allen	150.00	154.23	3.09	4.00	153.32
Briggs, Charles H.	100.00	104.43	2.09	4.00	102.52
Briggs, Charles L.-Kate R.	100.00	104.43	2.09	4.00	102.52
Briggs, E. Lyman-Ellen	100.00	140.76	1.76	1.00	141.52
Burgess, Thomas H.	100.00	101.68	2.03	1.00	102.71
Card, Thomas	100.00	100.00	2.51		102.51
Chase, William C.	100.00	102.33	2.05	2.00	102.38
Codding, Erastus-Susan	100.00	101.65	1.27	1.00	101.92
Colby, Alice Skinner	100.00	102.78	1.29		104.07
Collum, Harry J.	100.00	101.61	1.27	1.50	101.38
Cook and Boucher	200.00	204.04	4.10	4.00	204.14

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit January 1 1942	Interest Received	Expended Care of Lots	Balance January 1 1943
Danforth, Henry G.	100.00	103.68	2.07	3.00	102.75
Danforth, Lemuel	100.00	102.19	2.05	2.00	102.24
Fiske and Eddy	200.00	200.00	3.34		203.34
Fiske, S. Frank and Frank E.	100.00	102.28	2.05	2.00	102.33
Fletcher, George	100.00	100.50	2.01		102.51
Forbes, William	50.00	51.73	1.03	1.00	51.76
Freeman, Charles A. (New)	100.00	100.00	.50		100.50
Freeman, Edgar A.	100.00	101.87	1.27	1.50	101.64
Freeman, Henry S.	100.00	103.20	2.07	3.00	102.27
Freeman, Nathaniel-Sarah	100.00	102.22	2.05	2.00	102.27
Hall, Richard Henry	100.00	102.09	2.05	2.00	102.14
Hall, Richard Hutchins	100.00	103.04	2.07	3.00	102.11
Harvey, John J.-Herbert	200.00	216.12	4.34	12.00	208.46
Hill, Jemima	100.00	101.87	1.27	1.00	102.14
Hodges, Anna E.	100.00	104.48	2.09	4.00	102.57
Hodges, Leonard M.	100.00	102.11	2.05	2.00	102.16
Hodges, William	300.00	331.49	6.65	20.00	318.14
Holmes and Benham	200.00	204.50	4.10	4.00	204.60
Hunt and Taipe	175.00	178.72	3.58	3.00	179.30

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

Name of Fund	Fund Amount of	On Deposit January 1 1942	Interest Received	Expended Care of Lots	Balanec January 1 1943
Inman	100.00	100.00	1.67	1.00	100.67
King, Mary B.	100.00	101.58	1.27	1.00	101.85
King, Philip B.	100.00	102.89	2.05	2.00	102.94
Lane, Alice-Ellen W.	100.00	102.73	2.05	2.00	102.78
Lane, A. D.-William A.	300.00	376.85	7.56	15.00	369.41
Lane, Captain Calvin	50.00	51.27	1.02	1.00	51.29
Lane, C. D.-O. H.	300.00	317.33	7.97	10.00	315.30
Lane, Elmer	150.00	153.98	3.08	3.00	154.06
Leonard, Everett R.	100.00	103.23	2.07	3.00	102.30
Leonard, Henrietta F.	5,000.00	5,177.03	51.89	149.34	5,079.58
Leonard, Luen C.-Jacob A.	150.00	155.43	3.11	5.00	153.54
Lewis, Graciella	100.00	101.79	1.27	1.00	102.06
Lincoln, Effia M.	100.00	101.34	1.27	1.00	101.61
Messinger, Charles O. (New),	150.00	150.00	1.32		151.32
Morey, Samuel Esq.,	150.00	156.27	3.13		159.40
Palmer, Ephraim	100.00	102.70	2.57	2.00	103.27
Parker,	100.00	107.77	2.15		109.92
Pearse, Edwin S.	150.00	152.00	3.05	2.00	153.05
Perry, George-Martha L.	100.00	102.12	2.05	1.00	103.17

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit January 1 1942	Interest Received	Expended Care of Lots	Balance January 1 1943
Perry, Nathan-Phoebe	50.00	61.51	1.23	6.00	56.74
Pitts,	100.00	120.08	2.41	15.00	107.49
Reynolds, Clifford E. (New),	300.00	300.00	1.00		301.00
Richmond, Benjamin H.	175.00	175.02	2.19	10.00	167.21
Richmond, Benjamin H. (2)	175.00	185.36	2.32		187.68
Rollins, Fred P.	100.00	101.90	2.03	1.00	102.93
Scott, Charles H.	100.00	100.00	1.67		101.67
Shaw, George B.	100.00	101.49	1.27	1.00	101.76
Shaw, Horace	100.00	102.39	2.05	2.00	102.44
Shelly, Libeous	100.00	104.03	2.09	4.00	102.12
Smith, Almira	200.00	220.25	2.20	15.00	207.45
Smith, John Henry	100.00	104.37	2.09	3.00	103.46
Smith, Nathan	200.00	204.22	4.10	4.00	204.32
Smith, Nathan (2)	100.00	124.75	2.49	15.00	112.24
Sweet, Frederick M.	100.00	102.06	1.00	2.00	101.06
Sweet, George B.	300.00	306.32	6.15	6.00	306.47
Sweet, Ival H.	100.00	102.34	2.05	2.00	102.39
Tinkham, Anthony-Arnold	150.00	152.34	1.50	2.00	151.84
Walker, Oren E.	100.00	104.14	2.09	4.00	102.23

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit January 1 1942	Interest Received	Expended Care of Lots	Balance January 1 1943
Wetherell, C. S.-C. B.	200.00	204.85	4.10	4.00	204.95
Wetherell, Frank	100.00	101.50	1.02	1.00	101.52
Wetherell, George	100.00	104.34	2.09	4.00	102.43
Wetherell and Kilburn,	200.00	210.77	2.64	6.00	207.41
Wetherell, Lewis	100.00	102.30	2.05	2.00	102.35
Wetherell, Pliny	100.00	101.92	1.27	1.00	102.19
Wetherell, Stillman A.	100.00	101.46	1.02	1.00	101.48
Wheeler, Eliza W.	100.00	102.08	2.05	2.00	102.13
White, Sarah	100.00	103.29	1.29	2.00	102.58
Wilcox, Isaac	50.00	50.58	.63		51.21
Wild, George W. Jr.	100.00	102.14	2.05	2.00	102.19
Woods, Herbert C. and Althea (New)	100.00	100.00	1.00		101.00
Woodward, Herbert	100.00	102.36	2.05	2.00	102.41
Wrigley, James L.	100.00	102.68	2.05	2.00	102.73
Common Cemetery,	750.00	778.12	15.63	25.00	768.75
Funds added in 1942,					
Totals	\$16,650.00	\$17,335.28	\$ 265.63	\$ 453.34	\$17,147.57

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

CENTER CEMETERY

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit January 1 1942	Interest Received	Expended Care of Lots	Balance January 1 1943
Austin, Adelaide	\$ 100.00	\$ 101.89	\$ 1.27	\$ 1.00	\$ 102.16
Bean, Rev. Samuel	100.00	119.57	2.39	5.00	116.96
Blandin, Benjamin	50.00	51.16	1.02	1.00	51.18
Blandin, Jesse and Jesse	150.00	153.49	3.08	3.00	153.57
Blandin, William B.-Aurelia	100.00	114.86	2.88	4.00	113.74
Bosworth, Lucinda	100.00	115.86	2.32	4.00	114.18
Braman	250.00	483.63	9.71	19.75	473.59
Bruce, Charles. S	100.00	103.47	1.29	3.00	101.76
Busher, C. J.	100.00	101.68	2.03	1.00	102.71
Carpenter, Danise	100.00	115.46	2.31	7.00	110.77
Carpenter, Ellen F.	200.00	238.79	4.79	5.00	238.58
Carpenter, T. P.-Mary V.	100.00	102.60	1.29	1.00	102.89
Carpenter, Thomas	100.00	107.39	2.15	3.00	106.54
Carver, Theodore C.	100.00	105.91	2.11	3.00	105.02
Clapp, C. Walter-Mary G.	100.00	103.29	2.07	2.00	103.36
Clapp, Charles G.	100.00	154.16	3.09	3.00	154.25
Cobb, Silas H.	100.00	117.31	2.94	4.00	116.25
Dean, Lewis B.	100.00	105.92	2.11	3.00	105.03
Draper, Samuel A.	200.00	211.73	2.65	4.00	210.38

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit January 1 1942	Interest Received	Expended Care of Lots	Balance January 1 1943
Fortune, Walker and Harriet	100.00	102.72	1.29	1.50	102.51
Gale and Sowden	100.00	102.27	2.05	1.00	103.32
Goff and Knox	100.00	105.05	2.11	3.00	104.16
Goff, Silas R.-Roxanna	100.00	102.31	1.29	1.00	102.60
Hagerty, Charles	100.00	103.17	1.29	2.00	102.46
Hodges and Field	200.00	233.70	2.93	5.00	231.63
Hodges, Royal P.	100.00	111.11	2.23	4.00	109.34
Holmes and King	100.00	105.09	1.05	3.00	103.14
Hunt, Calvin M.	50.00	51.37	1.02	1.00	51.39
Jenkins, Willard	100.00	106.60	2.13	2.00	106.73
Kay, John	100.00	108.67	1.36	2.00	108.03
Lane, Gardner	50.00	51.84	1.03	1.00	51.87
Lewis, Calvin	100.00	105.03	2.11	3.00	104.14
Lincoln, Moses	100.00	107.54	2.15		109.69
Makepeace, D. P.	100.00	108.52	2.17	4.00	106.69
Makepeace, Lysander	100.00	102.95	1.29	2.00	102.24
Morse	75.00	91.15	1.83	3.00	89.98
Mott, Rev. Herbert H.	100.00	106.25	1.06	3.00	104.31
Oldfield, C. T.	200.00	279.27	5.61	5.00	279.88

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit January 1 1942	Interest Received	Expended Care of Lots	Balance January 1 1943
Raymond, Ward	100.00	103.51	2.07	3.00	102.58
Russell and Chadwick	100.00	104.37	1.31	2.00	103.68
Shook, G. S.	100.00	100.33	2.01		102.34
Skinner	100.00	106.72	2.13	3.00	105.85
Sweet, Benjamin	150.00	265.84	5.33	6.00	265.17
Sweet, Cordana	100.00	103.51	2.59	2.00	104.10
Sweet, Herbert	100.00	117.47	2.35	4.00	115.82
Ware, Edward Everett	100.00	100.33	2.01		102.34
Willis, Loren B.	100.00	106.77	2.13	3.00	105.90
Wood, J. Stephen	100.00	104.72	2.09	3.00	103.81
Woodward, Harold S.	150.00	153.73	3.08	3.00	153.81
General Fund	100.00	147.60	2.96		150.56
Funds Added in 1942					
Totals	\$ 5,525.00	\$ 6,407.68	\$ 117.56	\$ 152.25	\$ 6,372.99

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

BABBITT CEMETERY

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit January 1 1942	Interest Received	Expended Care of Lots	Balance January 1 1943
Francis	\$ 200.00	\$ 204.31	\$ 4.10	\$ 3.00	\$ 205.41
Francis, Lorenzo H.	100.00	101.67	1.27	1.00	101.94
Smith, Seth	75.00	75.52	.76		76.28
Sumner and Knowles	100.00	99.08	1.99		101.07
Wilbur	100.00	99.15	1.99		101.14
Totals	\$ 575.00	\$ 579.73	\$ 10.11	\$ 4.00	\$ 585.84

TIMOTHY PLAIN CEMETERY

Copeland, John	\$ 100.00	\$ 106.74	\$ 2.13	\$ 4.00	\$ 104.87
Hayward, Betsy (1)	1,000.00	1,108.59	22.27	40.00	1,090.86
Hayward, Betsy (2)	1,000.00	1,117.18	22.45	40.00	1,099.63
Leonard, Charles P.	100.00	103.60	1.04	2.00	102.64
Leonard, George H.	150.00	152.73	1.29	1.00	153.02
Newcomb, Harriot A. (1)	1,000.00	1,161.14	23.33	33.54	1,150.93
Newcomb, Harriot A. (2)	1,000.00	1,091.93	21.93	35.00	1,078.86
Robertson, Berenice	100.00	103.90	1.29	2.00	103.19
Wood, Catharine L.	100.00	106.39	2.13	3.00	105.52
Wood, Elkanah	100.00	102.97	1.03	1.00	103.00
Totals,	\$ 4,650.00	\$ 5,155.17	\$ 98.89	\$ 161.54	\$ 5,092.52

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

WOODWARD CEMETERY

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit January 1 1942	Interest Received	Expended Care of Lots	Balance January 1 1943
Willis, Lewis H.	\$ 150.00	\$ 193.77	\$ 3.88	\$ 10.00	\$ 187.65
Woodward, Cynthia	150.00	157.38	3.15	4.00	156.53
Woodward, Frederick C.	150.00	150.00	.50		150.50
Totals,	\$ 450.00	\$ 501.15	\$ 7.53	\$ 14.00	\$ 494.68

CRANE CEMETERY

Crane, Calvin	\$ 100.00	\$ 105.26	\$ 2.11	\$ 3.00	\$ 104.37
Leonard	100.00	102.96	1.29	2.00	102.25
Totals,	\$ 200.00	\$ 208.22	\$ 3.40	\$ 5.00	\$ 206.62

WHITE CEMETERY

White, Benjamin-Obera	\$ 150.00	\$ 249.32	\$ 5.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 239.32
Totals,	\$ 150.00	\$ 249.32	\$ 5.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 239.32

WINNECUNET CEMETERY

Field, Lloyd A.	\$ 100.00	\$ 111.01	\$ 1.39	\$ 3.00	\$ 109.40
Whole Lot,	1,010.00	1,039.57	26.14	12.00	1,053.71
Totals	\$ 1,110.00	\$ 1,150.58	\$ 27.53	\$ 15.00	\$ 1,163.11

GEORGE E. SMITH, Treasurer

SWIFT & SWIFT
Attorneys at Law
Crocker Building, Taunton, Mass.

November 12, 1942

The Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Norton, Msas.

Gentlemen:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 5th and your inquiry as to the status of Town By-Law No. 3, (old form) which was adopted by the Town of Norton, approved by the Attorney General and in force for approximately 40 years, especially in its relation to the alleged new by-law passed at the Annual Town Meeting in March, 1942, as amended by striking out that part reading—"To the individual voters", and adding in place thereof, "to all mailbox holders in the Town of Norton" in view of the provision relating "to all mailbox holders in the Town of Norton" having since been deleted as unapproved by the Office of the Attorney General.

In my opinion the Office of the Attorney General has no power to impose a by-law on the Town, and he does not seem to do so, but only to approve a by-law.

The Statutes provide, Gen. Laws, C. 39, Sec. 10, as amended that, "The Warrant shall be directed to the constables or to some other persons, who shall forthwith give notice of such meeting in the manner prescribed by the by-laws, or, if there are no by-laws, by a vote of the town, or in a manner approved by the Attorney General." Here there was a By-Law.

An attempt was made to amend the old By-Law but such old By-Law was not repealed, and the amendment to the old By-Law was deleted by the Attorney General; therefore the amendment to the old By-Law was not "approved."

The deletion of that part of the proposed new By-Law requiring "mailing of postcards to the mailbox holders in the Town of Norton" was of course perfectly proper and upon sound reason and grounds of reason of its unconstitutionality as set forth in the opinion of the Attorney General's Office. There is nothing in the papers before me which shows that the By-Law, as published, was formally approved by the Attorney General's Office other than the statement

of the Town Clerk in the publication and the inference that might be drawn because a part was deleted that the remainder was thereby approved. However, the new alleged By-Law, after deletion, was nevertheless not the By-Law as adopted by the voters and as it is clearly apparent that the voters intended some form of additional notice, other than usual posting, not inconsistent with law and to cover certain contingencies the voters had in mind; it is advised that the usual procedure be followed as under the old By-Laws, that is by postcard, until such time as the Town may by vote specify what additional notice shall be hereafter required beyond the statutory requirements.

Broadly speaking the real test is, have the voters of the Town been duly warned of a meeting. This may be under a By-Law— or in the absence of a By-Law then in a manner provided by vote of the Town—or in the absence of a vote of the Town, then in a manner approved by the Attorney General.

It is true that that part of the By-Law as approved by the Attorney General would undoubtedly serve the purpose of duly warning the voters but it falls short of the voters' intentions. The deletion of part of the By-Law warrants the inference to be drawn that as to the remainder it is a case of "so far so good", solely for the information and guidance it may give, but in my opinion was not intended as an approval of the By-Law known as By-Law No. 3 to stand alone as such in its entirety, hence the Attorney General's statement in his letter of June 4, '42, wherein he says—"Your next town meeting could probably correct any imperfections resulting from the action taken under Article 24 of your 1942 town meeting." To my mind this statement would seem to indicate that there had been no formal approval of By-Law No. 3 which awaited correction of imperfections resulting from the action taken under Article 24 of your 1942 Town Meeting.

In my opinion the old By-Law still stands until repealed or superseded by a By-Law approved in its entirety (not partial) by the Attorney General, having in mind the intention of the voters and within constitutional and statutory limitations.

Very sincerely yours,

WARREN A. SWIFT.

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Bristol, ss.

To Frank A. Clapp or either of the Constables of the Town
of Norton, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Norton to meet in the Town Hall in said Norton on Monday evening, the first day of March, 1943, at eight o'clock, then and there to act on the following articles; and you are also hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of the said Town to meet in the Town Hall in said Norton on Monday, March 8, 1943, at 12 o'clock noon, to elect one Selectman, one Assessor, one member of the Board of Water Commissioners, one member of the School Committee, one member of the Board of Public Welfare, each for a term of three years; also a Town Clerk, a Treasurer, a Collector of Taxes, and one or more Constables, a Tree Warden, and a Moderator, all to serve one year. The Polls may be closed at 8 o'clock P. M.

Article 1. To choose all other town officers required by law, and not provided for on the ballot.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will vote to accept the report of the Town Officers.

Art. 3. To determine the salaries of the Town Officials for the ensuing year in accordance with Chapter 41, Sec. 108, General Laws, viz.: Town Clerk, Treasurer, Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Assessors, Collector of Taxes, Moderator, Tree Warden, Constables, Water Commissioners, and School Committee.

Art. 4. To raise and appropriate money to defray the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year.

- (a) For repairs and improvements of roads.
- (b) For repairs and improvements of bridges and railings and other necessary tools and equipment.
- (c) For the support of schools, school supplies, transportation, Vocational Education, Salary of the Superintendent, School Physician, Attendance Officers and Repairs.
- (d) For the maintenance and operating expenses of the Water Department.

- (e) For the support of the Public Library.
- (f) For Memorial Day Exercises.
- (g) For the care and repairs of the Common at the Center.
- (h) For the maintenance and running expenses of the Fire Department.
- (i) For payment of State and Military Aid.
- (j) For payment of Soldiers' Relief.
- (k) For Public Welfare and Aid to Dependent Children.
- (l) For the expense of the Board of Health.
- (m) For payment of Town Debt.
- (n) For interest on Town Debt and Temporary Loans.
- (o) For the expense and Prevention of Forest fires.
- (p) For the expense of the Police Department.
- (q) For the expense of the Tree Warden.
- (r) For registration and election expenses, including salaries.
- (t) For General Government including salaries and expenses of the following Town Officers: Town Clerk, Treasurer, Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Assessors, Collector of Taxes, Accountant, and Moderator.
- (u) For an appropriation in pursuance of Chapter 436, Acts of 1936, (Old Age Assistance Law).
- (v) For the expense of the Sealer of 'Weights and Measures.
- (w) For the printing and delivering of the Annual Town Reports.
- (x) For insurance of Public Buildings, Compensation Insurance and insurance of all Town Trucks including the Fire Trucks, in accordance with Chapter 403 of Acts of 1936.
- (y) For removal of snow.
- (z) For the salary of a nurse for work in the Public Schools for the current year.

Art. 5. To raise and appropriate money for the suppression of the gypsy and brown tail moths.

Art. 6. To raise and appropriate money for the Town's proportion of the annual maintenance of the Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital.

Art. 7. To see what action the Town will take to sup-

press the illegal sale of intoxicating liquor in the Town and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Art. 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1943, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Art. 9. To raise and appropriate money for legal services.

Art. 10. To raise and appropriate money for street lighting.

Art. 11. To hear the report of the Committee on Reforestation, including repairs on the Town Farm, and take any action thereon.

Art. 12. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out the recommendations of the Reforestation Committee regarding Reforestation.

Art. 13. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out the recommendations of the Reforestation Committee regarding repairs at the Town Farm, to be expended under the supervision of said Committee.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize any Board of Town Officials to appoint any of their number to any other office and fix the compensation according to Chapter 41, Sec. 4A, General Laws.

Art. 15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for a reserve fund as authorized by Chapter 40 of the General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both under Chapter 90 for the maintenance of Chapter 90 roads in Town, or take any action in relation thereto.

Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Machinery Equipment Fund for the purpose of purchasing a Road Sander or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 18. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Machinery Equipment Fund for the

rate of 1943 subject to the General Laws.

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Machinery Equipment Fund to the Machinery Equipment Account for the purpose of repairing and operating road machinery.

Art. 20. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used for the purposes of the Committee on Public Safety, under the provisions of Chapter 487 of the Acts of 1941, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay certain bills under Section 64 of Chapter 44, General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the general care of Town-owned Cemeteries or take any action relative thereto. (By request of Cemetery Commissioners.)

Art. 23. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to sell a percentage of the typewriters now owned by the School Department, to Federal Agencies for the purpose of aiding in the prosecution of the present war, or take any action relative thereto. (By request.)

Art. 24. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of section 38A of Chapter 41 of the General Laws as last amended by Chapter 211 of the Acts of 1941, which statute provides that the collector of taxes under the title of town collector shall collect all accounts due the town, and to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto. (By request of Water Commissioners.)

Art. 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for payment of land damages in connection with the recent taking of certain land along Bay Road, by the Board of County Commissioners, for the purpose of widening and straightening the highway leading to the Army Camp, or take any action relative thereto.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies of the body of the same at each of the public meeting houses and at least three other public places in said Town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Acting Moderator, at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this first day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-three.

VINTON I. REYNOLDS,
JOHN B. SCOTT,
JOHN G. ADAIR,

Selectmen of Norton

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE



For the Year Ending December 31, 1942

Printed by the Selectmen under the Provisions of
Chapter 40, Section 49, of the General Laws.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE
TOWN OF NORTON
FOR THE YEAR 1942

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Arthur L. Valentine, Chairman, Telephone, Attleboro 613-W-3	Term expires 1943
Mrs. Helen W. Gavin, Secretary, Telephone, Norton 65	" " 1945
Mr. Ernest J. Knapton, Telephone, Norton 188	" " 1944

The Committee meets in the High School on the fourth
Monday of each month at 7:30 p. m.

UNION SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Norton and Plainville

Laurence G. Nourse, Telephone Norton 66

Office, Norton 94-3

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Dr. E. W. Clarke

Telephone, Norton 75

SCHOOL NURSE

Drusilla R. Foster

Telephone, Norton 93

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Drusilla R. Foster

Employment and Educational Certificates are issued at
the office of the Superintendent of Schools.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Elementary and High Schools:

First term opens September 9, 1942.

First term closes December 23, 1942.

Second term opens January 4, 1943.

Second term closes February 19, 1943.

Third term opens March 1, 1943.

Third term closes April 23, 1943.

Fourth term opens May 3, 1943.

Fourth term closes:

Elementary Schools—June 18, 1943.

High School—June 25, 1943.

SCHOOL SESSION

High School—8:00 a. m. to 1:05 p. m.

Elementary Schools—9:00 a. m. to 12:00 noon, and 1:00 p. m. to 3:00 p. m.

Due to the War and the continuance of Daylight Saving, the above schedule is made one-half hour later during the winter months.

HOLIDAYS

October 12, October 30, November 11, November 26 and 27, April 19, 1943.

NO SCHOOL SIGNALS

7:10 a. m.—Three double blasts of the whistles at the plants of Talbot Wool Combing Company, Defiance Manufacturing Company, and the sirens of the Norton Fire Department, signify no session for any school for the day.

7:45 a. m.—Same signal signifies no session in the elementary school for the day.

Signals will be given through radio station WEAN: 7:00 a. m. to 7:30 a. m.; and at 7:45 a. m. and 8:15 a. m.

To the Citizens of Norton:

The work of the Norton schools has been carried on during the past year under the increasing pressure of war. While this creates many difficulties, it also provides opportunities for patriotic service of various kinds. Staff and students alike have responded faithfully and well to the many demands that have been made upon them.

A number of changes have been made in the teaching staff. Mrs. Charlotie S. Harnden has started teaching Household Arts in the High School on a full time basis. Miss Gertrude Woodward resigned in June from her position in the Grammar School at the Center and was replaced by Miss Lucille Clapp who asked to be transferred from the Sturdy School to the position which she previously had held. The acting principalship of the Sturdy School was filled by the appointment of Mr. William Mahoney, a graduate of the Bridgewater State Teachers' College. Miss Eleanor Savaria resigned to accept a position in Chicopee, Massachusetts. Miss Elizabeth J. Raymond, a graduate of Teachers' College, Columbia University, was elected to fill the vacancy in the first grade at the Center School. The teacher shortage grows steadily more serious as many, both from the schools and the Teachers' Colleges, enter either military service or defense industries. The School Committee therefore has to meet an unprecedented situation as best it can.

In September a class in Adult Citizenship Education was started in the High School. This program is sponsored by the State Department of Education which reimburses the town for one-half of the cost of instruction. The program also has the encouragement of the Federal Government which urges the teaching of basic English and citizenship to all non-citizens who may benefit. A survey made in Norton showed at least one hundred such persons employed in the Town. Thirty-one have enrolled for instruction and are now getting direct help towards obtaining their citizenship. The class meets for a two hour period three evenings a week. Miss Loretta McHugh, who attended the State Teachers' College in Hyannis during the summer for specialized training, was appointed instructor.

The preliminary Household Arts program was outlined in last year's report. With the funds voted at the March

Town Meeting, the program has been enlarged and excellent equipment installed. Because of such progress the State Department of Education has approved this project as a State-aided Household Arts Department in the Norton High School. A vote at a special Town Meeting held in December, 1942, approved of the acceptance of financial aid from the State. In consequence approximately four-sevenths of the instructor's salary will be paid directly from the George-Deen funds which are under the supervision of the Vocational Department of the State Department of Education. One requirement arising from this arrangement is that the School Committee appoint an Advisory Committee to assist in making the work in Household Arts useful and appropriate to the life of the Town. The following persons have very kindly agreed to serve: Mrs. Charles Baker, Mrs. Bernard L. Duffy, Mrs. Albert Jenks, and Mrs. Alfred Krall. In January the first conference will be held under the general direction of Miss Caroline Wilson, the State Supervisor. The School Committee feels that exceptionally rapid progress is being made in this new department of the High School.

The outstanding need of the High School at the present time is a program for boys in the field of vocational education. It would be unwise to seek competition with well established and expensively equipped vocational schools, but in a modest way much could be done to discover aptitudes, develop interests, and generally to provide an outlet for the energies and skills of growing boys. Many serious problems remain to be solved. The School Committee is studying these, and a survey by the Division of Vocational Education of the State Department of Education is under way. However long it may be before the goal is reached, the School Committee feels justified in taking the preliminary steps and in calling the serious attention of all citizens to the problem. They should ask themselves how best they may apply available funds to the progress and development of their children.

The School Committee would like to commend the faithful work of the superintendent, principals, teachers, and others associated with the Norton Schools. The war has greatly increased their duties and responsibilities, and they

deserve thanks for the way in which these added burdens have been accepted.

The following tables of financial data are very important. Budget problems have become much more difficult under war-time conditions. The efficiency and continuity of the teaching staff must be maintained and in view of the growing teacher shortage the increase of salary schedules in surrounding towns, and other factors, the School Committee has this year made an increase in the salary budget. Further increases may have to be planned. A careful inspection of the entire budget is respectfully requested.

TABLE I

Total Expenditures per Pupil for Support of all Public Schools—Data from State Department of Education.

Annual Report for	Norton	State Average of Group III Towns
1942	\$90.96	\$103.20
1941	86.36	98.88
1940	87.52	97.27
1935	77.21	87.64
1930	84.62	97.40
1925	84.65	85.39

ACTUAL EXPENDITURE was \$12.24 per pupil LESS than the STATE AVERAGE for the same size towns in 1942. In last year's budget report Norton was \$12.52 below the state average. Thus Norton's actual expenditure per pupil continues about \$12 per pupil below the state average. From the State Department of Education report for above years, item 47B.

TABLE II

STATE REIMBURSEMENTS FOR TEACHERS' SALARIES
AND TUITION

1922,

\$ 8,185.92

1925,	8,137.86
1930,	11,887.47
1935,	13,061.80
1940,	13,520.79
1941,	12,141.36

1942

School Fund, Part II,	\$ 5,932.96
School Fund, Part I,	3,991.75
Tuition,	251.14
Salary of Superintendent,	1,160.00
Trade School,	207.90
Tuition, Boston,	55.08
	\$11,598.83

TABLE III
NET EXPENDITURE PER PUPIL FROM LOCAL TAXATION
(Deducting the amount paid by State reimbursements)

	1937	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942
Norton.....	\$57.48	\$59.24	\$61.18	\$62.00	\$59.50	\$66.24
Foxboro.....	66.08	73.64	76.77	79.46	80.45	80.53
Easton.....	55.31	58.09	60.52	64.56	63.85	64.99
Mansfield.....	69.61	69.69	74.72	77.21	83.95	87.27
Taunton.....	71.40	73.43	74.06	74.54	80.16	78.92
Attleboro.....	74.91	74.16	76.34	77.75	81.35	84.35
Wrentham.....	76.09	74.20	77.70	81.22	90.58	96.51
Walpole.....	83.40	107.97	92.01	100.03	96.62	91.88
Sharon.....	81.57	99.24	100.71	97.90	95.01	98.40
Bridgewater.....	71.87	72.17	74.92	79.16	85.16	89.64
Dighton.....	72.02	77.98	73.75	77.83	89.19	96.69
Fall River.....	84.49	68.75	69.42	73.57	82.81	92.61
State Average Group III Towns..	70.65	73.00	74.02	74.44	76.14	79.89

Norton in the last six years as shown above spent the LEAST of any of these towns with one exception. This table shows the LOCAL effort for support of schools. Norton's expenditure is \$13.65 below the state average. Thus Norton would have to have spent in 1941 \$6,688.50 more to be up to the average for our school population.

From the State Department of Education report for above years, item number 39.

The summary of the 1943 school budget follows:

	Budget 1943	Budget 1942	Expended		
			5 yrs. ago 1938	10 yrs. ago 1933	15 yrs ago 1928
General	\$ 535.00	\$ 455.00	\$ 365.86	\$ 307.94	\$ 432.25
Teachers' Salaries	27,820.00	26,275.00	23,885.91	24,332.88	24,458.74
Janitors' Salaries	3,676.00	3,344.00	3,338.00	3,497.00	3,289.00
Transportation	6,328.00	6,328.00	6,076.00	6,130.75	6,428.85
Fuel and Light	2,299.00	2,066.00	1,949.99	1,361.44	2,302.16
Books and Supplies	2,700.00	2,700.00	2,448.69	1,485.67	2,432.19
Superintendent, Salary and School Union Travel	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,355.00
Physician	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
New Equipment	250.00	890.00	207.27	46.34	219.45
Tuition	775.00	650.00	126.96	75.00	.....
Repairs and Janitors' Supplies...	2,410.00	1,810.00	1,483.51	963.19	1,984.21
Sundries	240.00	346.00	174.02	158.39	218.91
Adult Alien Education	360.00				
Household Arts	863.00				
Totals	\$50,856.00	\$47,464.00	\$42,656.21	\$40,958.60	\$44,320.76

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR L. VALENTINE, Chairman
HELEN W. GAVIN, Secretary
ERNEST J. KNAPTON,

School Committee

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Norton School Committee:

I have the honor of submitting to you my nineteenth annual report as Superintendent of Schools and the forty-ninth in the series of reports.

Educational Priorities

“Education as usual” is as obsolete as “business as usual” During the crisis our schools must continue to be an integral part of the machinery of war, the center of training for Community service, a source of information and inspiration, and the basis for building a sound morale and noble peace. Every phase of the war effort—Selective Service, Rationing, Price Control, and Industrial Production, depends for its success on an enlightened citizenry. A peoples’ war calls for universal understanding of the issues of the war and the broad principles that must underlie any real peace. Therefore, priorities must be established among educational activities without abandoning essential services of the schools. War duties of the schools should be given priority in time, attention and personnel.

With our country at war the activities of school teachers have been greatly enlarged and their teaching objectives greatly extended and intensified. Our teachers are meeting this challenge with courage and untiring efforts. The following summary of the wartime activities of our teachers will be interesting.

Civilian defense activities—wardens, etc.

Civilian defense courses taken by teachers and the in-

struction in this course to grammar school and high school pupils, using official handbook number 14, "Civilian Defense Course for School and Home."

Air raid drills at frequent intervals in all schools.

Sale of war stamps and bonds.

"Schools at War". A program requested by the Department of Education.

Teaching air-mindedness or the place of aviation in our life today and the larger place it will hold in the future.

Increased emphasis on the teaching of mathematics and science.

Ration registration—gasoline, sugar, fuel oil, etc.

First Aid classes.

Red Cross—war activities.

High School Victory Corps, including military drill.

Salvage drive—metals, rubber, paper, fats, etc.

Teaching health and physical efficiency as a war aim.

Protecting the ideals of democracy of war hazards.

Teaching the issues, aims and program of the war and the peace.

Maintaining intelligent loyalty to American democracy.

Teaching Air-Mindedness in the Class Room

Our lives will surely be greatly changed after this war because of the important part that aviation will play following the enormous strides that have been made in that science during the war. General information about the development of aviation and the increasing possibilities for its part in every day activities must be stressed more and more. This general instruction and basic knowledge must start with the child's entrance to public education. The Federal Government is urging this program as a patriotic and wartime measure at the present time, but it is also fundamental for the successful meeting of the problems of normal civilian life after this war. This program was suggested at the start of the present school year at the first general teachers' meeting. The following list of topics show the activities carried on in this field in various class-rooms.

1. Blackboard mural on types of airplanes.
2. Education in air-mindedness through book reports, language stories, bulletin boards, pictures and oral talks.

3. Arithmetic motivation, "Airplane arithmetic flights".
4. Health murals—good health makes good pilots.
5. A frieze showing American airplane models.
6. Unit on aviation covering the history of aviation and plane models.
7. Special aviation insignia and air mail routes studied.

Many schools are taking part in the Government drive to have school departments make exact airplane models but it is impossible to secure a share of this work because our schools do not have a Manual Training instructor and equipment for such work. However, in a number of classrooms, pupils are making airplane models from plans and material secured individually.

War Saving Stamps and Bonds

The sale of War Saving Stamps and Bonds was started last Spring. In September this plan was continued with outstanding results. The sale takes place once a week. Emphasis is placed on every pupil taking part.

The United States Treasury Department awards the Minute Man Flag to each school securing 90 per cent of the pupils participating in this program. It is to be flown from the school flag pole during the month following the month in which there have been purchases of stamps and bonds by 90 per cent of the pupils. All schools are working hard on this drive and fully expect to reach this standard shortly. One hundred per cent of the school teachers are participating in this program and will be awarded the Minute Man banner. Tabulation of the sales in the Norton schools from September 1 to December 31, follows

High School,	\$ 881.20
Center School,	777.45
Sturdy School,	310.20
Barrowsville School,	366.15
No. 8 School,	19.85
Total,	\$2,354.85

The Treasury Department issued reports on the per capita sales in 180 towns and cities which conducted the

sale of stamps and bonds in their schools. The exact figures for Norton and neighboring places follows. These are based on the first two months of the school year. No later figures are available.

Norton, \$1.67. Mansfield, 83 cents, Wrentham, thirty-four cents, North Attleboro, \$2.36; Attleboro, 77 cents; Plainville, \$3.20.

Protection of School Children and School Property

Under the plans of civilian defense the protection of school children and school property is an essential part. During the past year the school committee and the school staff have given careful attention to this subject. After consultation with the leaders in the civilian defense program certain recommended equipment and changes have been made to give greater protection. There is a wide variance in practice and opinion in this matter. Every effort has been made to follow conservative standard procedures. The bulletins of the state and federal committees have been made the basis for this procedure. The new bulletin of the United States Office of Civilian Defense, published in December, 1942, has just been received and its recommendations are being considered in order to have our plans in this important field in line with the best practice as recommended by the officials. Detailed plans for teacher and pupil participation have been worked out in each school building so that in case of emergency there will be no confusion and each teacher will know his or her responsibility. Practice drills and discussions of procedure are held regularly.

The Teacher's Part in Rationing

One major activity of our teachers, as in every other community, has been conducting the registration for sugar, gasoline, and fuel oil rationing. These have been large governmental activities which were new to our government officials. Many changes, postponements, and conflicting instructions have been a part of these undertakings. The school teachers have had the brunt of this responsibility in carrying out the plans of our government in meeting all of the members of the community as they came for these registrations. It has not been the teachers' duty to make the regulations but the difficult task of trying to interpret them

and trying to apply them to the local situation. Every teacher has given valued and honest effort to carry out these functions honestly and fairly. It has not been a pleasant duty to be the one to administer tasks which of necessity have made more restraints and in some cases possible hardship on individual citizens. At the time of this report there is evidence of more rationing programs in which the teachers will again be asked to take a leading role. They will continue, gladly, to give extra effort and unpaid service. Our teachers show to an unusual degree their civic spirit and willingness to work unselfishly for the common welfare in their community and in our nation. These activities have been carried on and at the same time the regular work of the schools has been continued by keeping half session and doing the extra governmental activities afternoons and evenings. The recent emergency rulings of the governor have allowed the schools to close and give their full time during these registration periods to these new types of activities, but with the desire to maintain our full educational standards we have been able in the past to divide the day and by longer hours of labor carry on both jobs throughout these periods of special work.

The following quotation is from Walter F. Downey, Commissioner of Education "We have now completed several registrations made necessary by the war. I know what a prolonged effort this has been for all concerned. It has been a continuous physical and nervous strain on each one of us. Yet, despite this fact, we may properly feel that we have had the great privilege of engaging in vital emergency war work, of real value on the home front as well as in the combat zones. By zealous, unified effort, inspired by this privilege of serving when the Nation called, the job has not only been done, but done well."

"No one has deserved better of the Republic than the unknown teacher. No one is more worthy to be enrolled in a democratic aristocracy, 'king of himself, and servant of mankind' "—Henry Van Dyke.

The following quotation is from Leon Henderson, Office of Price Administration: "I, personally, cannot express my gratitude too deeply for the splendid job that was done. The primary credit of course should go to the school teachers, because they accepted the heaviest burden. No other group in the country could have handled the job so efficiently and speedily."

Pupil Accounting

Pupil accounting attempts to follow the same general procedure of discovery of the facts and a study of the causes in the progress of the pupil's educational experience that a financial accounting does in the analysis of the business firm's financial status. One of the most reliable measures of the educational progress of a pupil in his school career is the Iowa Every-Pupil-Test of Basic Skills. This set of tests has been used for two years and the general outline of them given in past reports. With the results of this work now available for comparison this year's results will be far more meaningful and valuable in analyzing the educational progress of both the individual pupil and each class. The results of these standard achievement tests are recorded both in numerical tables and in graphs or charts which show at a glance the exact point of progress in the basic skills of the school program and also the amount of change from year to year. Each teacher is studying these records with those made under her instruction. The high school teachers now have a sizeable accumulation of educational data for their pupil accounting studies. Each teacher in both elementary and high school selects at the beginning of each month one pupil for an individual study with all of the accumulated data concerning the pupil, then carries on her own study during that month with various measures, tests, or by individual study and conferences to try, by every means possible, to have a complete analysis of all the elements that go to determine the progress or lack of progress in that individual case. These conclusions are then put into written form and filed with the other records of that pupil for the assistance of other teachers. The aim of this work is to make as scientific a study of the teaching problems as possible with every means at our disposal with the educational growth of the individual pupil and finally of the whole class as the ultimate aim of each teacher.

Recommendations

1. In the report for the year 1941 I made four recommendations. The first of these in regard to making Household Arts a full program in the High School, has been successfully carried out during the past year. Many interesting details in the excellent progress which has been

made are given in the report of the High Schol Principal.

2. The need for a program of Vocational Education for boys in the High School is again urged. A preliminary study of this program is under way and progress should be made in 1943. The situation and recommendation outlined in the third and fourth recommendations of last year's report are still valid. A study of how to meet the building needs to carry out the expansion of a Vocational Educational program should be started at once in order to be ready as soon as a building program is possible. At the close of 1941 there were 498 pupils enrolled in the Norton schools. At the close of 1942 there were 511. Many towns have had a decrease in school population. The above figures show that there is an opposite trend in the Norton schools. This is a second reason for careful consideration of this recommendation.
3. The plan of the Victory Corps is outlined in the High School Principal's report. I urge the support of this program including military drill with all available equipment and personnel.
4. I recommend the teaching of a course in Aeronautic or pre-flight aviation in the high school. Such a course would be of a great value as pre-induction training for all boys in the high school. It is a continuation of the air-mindedness program begun in the elementary schools. Many high schools have already started this program with the encouragement of state and Federal agencies.
5. A start has been made in this years' budget to increase teachers' salaries. Under present wartime conditions the Norton schools have a greater than usual handicap in competing for services of outstanding teachers. Frequently teachers leave the Norton schools for an increase of several hundred dollars in salary. Many of these teachers would continue here for a part of such increase. A revision of the teachers' salary schedule is recommended.

Norton Grammar Schools

The only change in grammar school principalships during the year has been the appointment of Mr. William Mahoney, a graduate of Bridgewater State Teachers' Col-

lege in June, 1942, to the Sturdy School position. Miss Lucille Clapp became acting principal when Mr. Henri A. Yelle left for military service. Miss Clapp's work has been excellent and very outstanding. It was with regret that I granted her request to give up this work to return to her regular position at the Center School.

Mr. Henri A. Yelle has been advanced to the rank of captain in infantry and is in active military service. Mr. Robert I. Jackson, Principal of the Barrowsville School, has recently been promoted to the rank of captain in the artillery.

With the start of 1943, Mr. C. Herbert Salls, who has been acting principal of the Barrowsville School, will leave this position for a professional advancement. Miss Eleanor McLaughlin, who has made an excellent record as teacher in the No. 8 School, has been selected to take this position with the start of the new year.

Quotations from Grammar School Principals' Reports

Center School—Miss Loretta McHugh

Patriotic Pageant:

Under the direction of Mrs. Alice Illingworth the seventh and eighth grades planned a musical entertainment held during the week of November 11 at the Town Hall. In order to secure a representative group, children from other rooms were selected to give special readings, poems, dances and songs. The upper grades acted as general chairmen and formed the supporting chorus. The proceeds from this went for the purchase of our electric portable victrola now in very active use in all grades in all schools in Norton. Chartley and Barrowsville contributed some money to buy records. We now have a varied selection of records chosen by Mrs. Illingworth.

Three Act Play:

For the second year the eighth grade decided to have a play to raise money for the annual trip. This year a three act comedy was selected as the type of play. The date for this was set in conjunction with the Poster Contest sponsored by Mrs. Rowena Rice, on April 17 at the Town Hall. This play received very enthusiastic support by all parents and friends. This type of activity is quite difficult for an eighth grade to attempt.

Room Activities:

1. The Patrol and League functioned very much as in the past two years. Each child works toward making these groups perform better each year. A few changes are to be made for next year, and these will be noted during the year 1943 for comment.
2. Good and excellent projects were carried on under social studies this year. Noteworthy were the Civil War booklets and the Forestry Unit on trees of Norton and New England. In the former, special stress was laid upon tolerance and the strength of unity; while in the latter, conservation and appreciation were stressed.
3. With Latin America as the theme for the graduation program special attention to these countries and democracy was given. In the geography classes of both grades an understanding of South America and its people was made. Products, people, costumes and customs were discussed and even made for use in staging our pageant. The music also played a very important part of this particular study.

Sturdy School—Miss Lucille Clapp

During the year the school lunch program was enlarged and improved with the assistance of Surplus Commodities offered by the Government. With the regular lunches brought by the children, additional foods were served. A lunch fund was established in each room and necessary materials were bought to aid in carrying out the lunch plan. Donations of silver and dishes were made by some parents, and others brought their utensils daily so that they could enjoy the fruits, juices, or whatever was offered, along with their lunches already prepared at home. Although there is no equipment nor the proper facilities for the preparation of hot foods, the serving of these cold foods has been very successful and beneficial to the children.

The School paper, "Sturdy Oak", was published at regular intervals during the year. A corps of editors took charge of the issues, securing news, stories; proof-reading, copying on master-copy paper, printing with the hectograph machine, and selling their issues throughout the various rooms. Copies of some issues were exchanged for sim-

ilar papers printed by the Center and Plainville Schools, and the students appreciated the comparison and interchanging of ideas relative to a similar production.

During the year the pupils of Grades Seven and Eight made a rather careful and thorough study of the various relations between our country and South America. A large selection of books dealing with the latter nations were secured from many sources. Moving pictures were shown which correlated very well with every-day studies. National Geographic Magazines offered valuable assistance. A student from Wheaton College, who had spent some time in South America enlightened the classes with first hand information as well as a remarkable display of articles brought from that country. The class made interesting maps, illustrations, and note-books comparing the two continents and all contributed in the major project of making a mural depicting a relating set of scenes on religion, industry, farm life, and social life in the United States and in South America. When completed this mural was most attractive; decorative as well as informative, and it was used as a satisfactory scene for the Graduation ceremony in June.

With so many new and necessary changes coming into existence through the school year, it became evident that steps would have to be taken as a precaution to any air raids which might come during school time. Therefore Air Raid Drills became weekly occurrences with student helpers assisting wherever possible. A set of rules and an assignment of duties were drawn up and printed and the practice drills resulted in a satisfactory preparation for an emergency.

Barrowsville School—Mr. C. Herbert Salls

Developing a Sense of Responsibility and Independence

Throughout the year I have tried to stress the value and necessity of doing one's own work. I have endeavored to use real life situations in emphasizing this need,—pointing out the way an employer appreciates and rewards a man who can go ahead by himself whenever confronted with a new problem, without having to stop and consult some one else. I attempted to make the pupils realize that they were no longer children and that they should stand on their own feet, just as adults have a moral obligation to do so, in present day society.

Many pupils were under the impression that their advancement depended solely upon the teacher's ability to present the material in an easy manner for them to comprehend. "It's your job to teach us," was the attitude of some pupils who failed to realize that no one would be able to do his life's work for him. I told a pupil I was willing to help him if he would make an honest effort to accomplish the work himself, for by so doing, I felt that, even though he were unsuccessful, he would have at least profited from the attempt. From this experience a great many of the pupils learned to accept the responsibility for their progress in the various subjects and consequently gave evidence of becoming citizens that will fit better into our present plan of social living.

Closing

The attached reports and statistics merit careful consideration. They give many valuable details in the work of the Norton schools.

The many problems of operating schools in war time and the unusual duties for the staff resulting from the war have received from you, the School Committee, careful consideration and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

LAURENCE G. NOURSE,

Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Our high school started the school year on September 9, 1942, with 74 girls and 44 boys. Since that time two more girls have registered. The perennial crowded conditions exist as more things are required of our school due to the changing world's conditions. If the Norton High School is to do justice to the pupils, definite changes are due in the immediate future.

The new Household Art scourse is our newest move to advance vocational education in this school. Some of the young ladies, of all four grades, are now receiving education not obtainable elsewhere in Norton. We anticipate a larger number next year as this type of education is practical. The boys should be allowed to form cooking classes very shortly. The school committee, the superintendent, Mrs. Charlotte Harnden, the teacher, and myself have spent considerable time in the arrangement and structure of this course.

Household Arts Course

Freshman Year::

Required—English 5, General Science 5, Household Arts I, 5.

Elective—Algebra 5, Junior Business Training 5.

Sophomore Year:

Required—English II 5, Household Arts II 5, Biology 5.

Elective—Bookkeeping I 5, Typewriting I 2½, French I 5, Economics 5.

Junior Year:

Required—English III 5, Household Arts III 10, (15 periods per week).

Elective—Typewriting II 2½, Modern European History 5, French II 5.

Senior Year:

Required—English IV 5, U. S. History 5, Household Arts IV, 10 (15 periods per week).

Elective—French III 5, Typewriting III 2½.

The boys should have a course in vocational education which could well include the making of blue prints, the reading of blue prints, the use of simple carpenters' tools; and the art of being the handy man about a house.

Voluntary contributions of \$10.00 from the Class of 1942, \$15.00 from the Sturdy Grammar School graduating class and \$5.00 from the class of 1943, have been received for Household Arts. The three lower classes will add more money soon. Interest is prevalent among the pupils for some manual work together with the traditional scholastic study.

This school is definitely interested in making a contribution to the winning of the war. We have joined the Na-

tional Movement of the High School Victory Corps and the pupils will gain much knowledge for their future participation. We are aware that some of our boys will register for the draft before, or soon after, their graduation. It is the duty of this school to advance their future improvement in the armed forces of the United States. Traditional school work will be altered somewhat in order to advance this new work. Those who plan to go to college will meet the college requirements.

The Corps six divisions are General, Membership, Production, Service, Air Service, Land Service, Sea Service, and Community Service—all of these contribute toward pre-induction and victory.

During the past summer considerable work was done in redecorating the Commercial, Typewriting, English and French rooms. The lunch room floor was given two coats of paint. The walls of the boys' basement were repainted. Tile was laid on the floor of the Household Arts Room and venetian blinds were placed over the windows. The Center School is in good physical condition.

In October there was a fire in the chemical closet in the laboratory. The cause of this damage was spontaneous combustion. The money obtained from the insurance companies has been turned over to the school committee and plans are made for the building of a new closet. The high school boys extinguished the fire before the fire apparatus arrived.

Baseball and basketball are the two sports supported by the Athletic Association. Material is lacking for the best possible teams but the spirit of sportsmanship is excellent. Mr. William Morrison is in charge of the basketball team and I have the baseball team. Transportation bothered us last spring and the same cause will, no doubt, limit us to inter-class teams. A few games may be played at Plainville. We tried to get a girls' basketball team last year but it was impossible at that time. A new attempt will be made this season. The fifteen minute period each day is used for games or hiking.

The hostess in our lunch room is Mrs. Charlotte Pierce, who has been in charge since October 1, 1942. Mrs. Martha O'Leary resigned after being our hostess for six months. We

attempt to sell only the 10 cent hot plates but there is a demand for certain sandwiches from the high school pupils. Mrs. Pierce has government food to add to her purchased food, thus a substantial lunch is possible at the above named low price.

Below are three samples (Mrs. Pierce's Menus):

1. One-half slice minced ham, baked potato, carrots, string beans, cookie and cocoa.
2. Fruit salad, potato chips, jello and marshmallow top, cocoa.
3. Scalloped hamburg, potato, beets, apple sauce, cake and cocoa.

Visual education is being used. There is difficulty in securing films for some of the classes, the French classes, for instance. Good English films are expensive. The science and household arts classes have been more favored because of free films loaned by business concerns interested in nationally advertised products.

Guidance conducted for the three lower classes by Mr. Morrison, the senior class by myself and help by the other teachers is gaining a good foothold. Considerable material has been collected to assist the graduates in deciding their life's work. A check is made after each report card has been issued. Guidance is frequently discussed in the several classes by the individual teachers. The larger part of our graduates seek employment immediately after graduation, thus more knowledge about local and surrounding shops is necessary.

The use of the individual folder is becoming more important in the study of the individual. More information is continually being put into those folders in order that the teachers might get a better idea in regard to the habits of the pupils.

Our air raid drills are conducted frequently. Window covers are used for the windows in the Art Room and the basement doors. High School and grade boys are trained to put these covers in place. The present disposition of the student population seems the best that can be done with the structure of the building. Stories are read to the younger children while the others are allowed to talk, with a low tone, among themselves.

Mr. Morrison is in charge of the patrols upstairs where the pumps, sand, and hose are kept. Certain boys have been assigned stations and duties when the alarm is rung. We have a mobile set up and it would take only a short time to go to any point in the building. The soda-acid extinguishers are taken from the hooks, thus ready for action.

The senior class holds its annual play, "A Ready Made Family," at the college gymnasium on December 23, 1942. Miss Helen Roche was the coach. The Latin Club conducted a Roman banquet. The Student Council contributed money toward the musical attachment to the moving picture machine; and other details for the betterment of the school. The French Club has held its meetings but was unable to visit clubs of other schools.

We were favored at graduation with a goodly number of awards. The Alumni cup was presented at graduation this year due to the fact that no banquet was held. Following is a list of these awards:

Washington and Franklin History Award—Gilbert Gredler,
Alumni Award—Donald Becker.
P. T. A. English Award—Gilbert Gredler.
Wheaton Award—Gilbert Gredler, Drusilla Haskell.
Commercial Award—Donald Becker.
Latin Club Award—Gilbert Gredler.
French Club Award—Gilbert Gredler.
Student Council Award—James Newcomb.
D. A. R. Award—Ruth Haskell.
Art Prize—Margaret Gonsalves.
Readers' Digest—Gilbert Gredler.

The principal's office has been a clearing house between those desiring help and the pupils desiring jobs. Miss Helen Caffrey and Superintendent Nourse have aided several pupils. This fall I had more jobs to offer than I had pupils who were free to accept these offers. We have more than one-third of the student body employed during the afternoons.

The school committee has assisted the girls by presenting Household Arts as a new course. The boys should have elementary manual training in order that they might be-

come familiar with the simple tools. The superintendent and the teachers have done all possible to assist the pupil's mental growth. I appreciate this fine co-operation and our high school is moving forward educationally.

Yours respectfully,

CHARLES S. RANDALL

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

Mr. Laurence G. Nourse,
Superintendent of Schools:

Following is my report for Music in the Norton Public Schools for the year ending December 31, 1942.

Our work in the grades is fundamentally the same as in former years, with new songs from rote, working up from simple notations, definitions and examples through the grades so that the pupils may enjoy working in music as well as listening to it.

Last spring we bought a portable electric record player and have made a good start on our record library. These records are available for all schools and aid in Music Appreciation.

This last fall we had ten dollars given us, the proceeds of a school card party, to buy more records. All these help the children in adding to their knowledge of the worthwhile type of music. We have several especially for the younger children.

Mr. White has been with us this past year and we have had a larger group taking lessons than ever before. He will not be with us in this new year, having gone into the army. I am trying to get some one to take his place, but under the present conditions I have not succeeded as yet.

Our grammar school graduation program consisted mostly of Latin-American music under the title, "Friendship of the Americas". The music is of different tempo and rhythm, but we all enjoyed the different numbers. The boys and girls deserve especial credit for their performance in a work so different from our usual music.

We have no orchestra again this year, but have a fine start towards one if we can only continue with instrumental instruction.

Mr. Mahoney at Sturdy has started a Glee Club and we hope for splendid results there.

Our new book in the High School has been a great incentive for better work there. Its title is "Music—the Universal Language". It is beautifully arranged for unit work. Every song is introduced by an interesting statement telling of the content of the song and its place in history of mankind and in choral literature. The book offers a splendid opportunity to organize the work into a study of selections which have related values. We enjoy it greatly.

Miss Raymand is doing splendid work with the first grade at the Center School.

All the teachers give me splendid co-operation and I certainly appreciate it.

I am especially grateful to you and the school committee for our new book in High School.

Respectfully submitted,

ALLICE M. ILLINGWORTH

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING

Mr. Laurence G. Nourse,
Superintendent of Schools:

Angelo Patri says "Art is one of the finest character builders." In the Norton schools I have endeavored to build character through the art experiences. Confidence gained through art has often been felt in other subjects and improvement has been noted. From grades I-VIII creative expression has been emphasized in the various problems such as illustrations of child's own experiences at home, in work and play, design applied to useful articles, lettering, posters, color harmonies, costumes, interiors and exteriors of homes. Some fine murals were finished in grades 5, 6, 7, and 8, correlating with History, Geography, and Literature. Outdoor sketching was introduced into the 6th, 7th, and 8th grades,

giving the pupil an opportunity to work out simple problems in perspective with crayons, pencil and water color. The scenery for the grammar school graduation was made by the pupils in the 7th and 8th grades.

A "Buy War Bonds and Stamps" poster contest was held in the town hall. Posters were submitted from grades 6, 7, and 8 and the high school art classes. Awards in war savings stamps were given by the P. T. A. High School, 1st prize, Marguerite Bottomley; 2nd prize, Carol Bottomley; 3rd prize, Allen Richmond.

Center School, grade 8: 1st prize, Betty Woodward.

Sturdy School, grade 8: 2nd prize, Robert Gibbs; 3rd prize, Anna Mansi.

In the High School the classes were art, mechanical drawing and handicraft. Outdoor sketching, object drawing, life drawing, design, color, lettering (Old English, Roman Capitals and modern poster) pen and ink technique, costume design, flower arrangements, in water color, posters, stained glass were among the completed problems.

In handicraft in the High Schools, such articles as tooled metal plaques, stenciled and block printed skirts, decorated pins, stenciled Christmas cards, pottery bowls and animals, felt animals for coat ornaments were completed. The mechanical drawing classes have maintained an excellent standard in problems of sheet metal, blueprint reading, projection, airplane designs and original garden plans.

An exhibition was held in June in the High School Art Room with a fine attendance of appreciative parents and friends.

The awards for the "Be Kind to Animals" posters were given to the following pupils: Center School, grade 8, 1st prize, Natalie Richards; 2nd prize, Betty Woodward; and honorable mention, Carol Gavin. Sturdy School, grade 8, 1st prize, Miriam Larson; grade 7, 2nd prize, Laura Gonsalves; grade 6, honorable mention, Carol Bottomley and Lorne Brasier. Barrowsville School, grade 8, 2nd prize, Gloria Richmond; honorable mention, Claire Leroux.

Cover design on the school report was made by Carol Bottomley in the High School.

Respectfully submitted,

ROWENA B. RICE.

REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Mr. Laurence G. Nourse,
Superintendent of Schools:

Physical examinations for the year 1942 are nearly completed, but due to an unusual amount of sickness, it has been impossible for the nurse and me to arrange our time so that the work could be done sooner.

Our program has been the same as heretofore—i. e., Pre-school examinations, Diphtheria prevention work, care of playground injuries, and, of course, the physical examinations.

There has been no serious epidemics among the school children this past year and no serious accidents.

The only departure from our normal regime is the fact that we are not demanding physical examinations for students who have been absent three days or more. Our reason for letting down the bars, so to speak, is because of the gasoline and tire shortage.

The teachers inspect the students and, in case of doubt, the Health Department is consulted.

So far everything is going on smoothly, and we trust that, with the continued co-operation of the teachers, we will go through the war-period without serious epidemics.

I wish to thank the teachers and janitors, Mrs. Foster and all others who are helping the Health Department keep our schools clean, warm, and free from contagious diseases.

We are asking students not to come to school if they have colds, sore-throats or if they are coughing.

By using good judgment in deciding whether or not to come to school we feel good health in the student body will be maintained.

Yours truly,
ELMER W. CLARKE, M.D.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Laurence G. Nourse,
Superintendent of Schools:

I herewith submit the annual report of the School Nurse's activities for the year 1942.

At the beginning of the year a weekly schedule for the nurse was adopted. Each school was visited weekly and on Monday and Friday afternoon the nurse is at the office in the Center School. On the weekly visit the nurse contacts each teacher in the school and they discuss any unusual health problems that arise between the nurse's visits. In some cases a home visit is made to the parent regarding the correction of defects and the health habits of the child discussed.

The Diphtheria Prevention Program was conducted for three weeks in January. Notices were sent to parents of pre-school children as well as to school children regarding this clinic. We have carried out this prevention program for fourteen years and inoculated over nine hundred school children. Ten pre-school and twenty-two school children received the treatment. At the annual pre-school examination twenty-three more were inoculated, making a total of fifty-five this year.

In February the Bristol County School Clinic for the detection and prevention of tuberculosis was held in the High School. Fifty-seven students were skin tested and fourteen reacted to the test. This number were X-rayed as were seven who were on our follow-up from last year. No active cases were found in this group. Many of the teachers were X-rayed at this time. This is done as a public health measure and may become compulsory in the future.

The Pre-School Examination was held in May. The object of this examination is: to insure good physical health for every child that is to enter school in the fall term. If defects are found at this examination, the parents are urged to consult their family physician for corrections. Twenty-eight children were examined and five children went to their family physician for their examination. This is one of the largest groups that we have ever examined.

During the summer three girls attended the Bristol County Health Camp at Briggs Corner. This camp is supported by the sale of Christmas Seals. Each child that attends camp is carefully selected. These children all returned home in better physical health and gained from five to seven pounds in weight. Four weeks at camp and the regularity of diet, sleep and rest proves its value. When the child returns home the parents co-operate and continue as nearly as possible the same routine for the remainder of the vacation period.

In the elementary grades a teaching unit on "Nutrition", at Home; at School and in the Community, was taught during October and November. Miss Jean Latimer from the State Department of Public Health met with the teachers and gave them some suggestions and materials and for their use in teaching. We realize that the child's likes and dislikes are often a contributing factor in the nutrition at home. It is our objective to teach the child some of the fundamental principles and facts of nutrition, in hopes that they will practice them in their every-day life. Some very interesting projects were developed by the teachers for this unit of health study.

We were unable to conduct a Dental Clinic this last year. Lack of funds, equipment and an available dentist were among our chief problems. However, we did have a teaching program on Dental Health. Children in the upper grades were taught about tooth structure, foods for teeth and dental care. Sound dental health habits were taught to the younger children.

The war has brought a serious problem to our own back door. In many families we find both parents working. What is happening to the school child in these families from the time that they leave school until their parents arrive home from work several hours later? In the large cities this is a very serious problem, but in Norton we find that a neighbor usually acts as temporary guardian of the young children, while the older child from the ages of 10 to 14 years of age, assumes his own responsibility. If a young child becomes ill at school we did not feel that we could send him home unless an older brother or sister came home from High School. In some cases there were no older children in the family. As a result of this study a questionnaire was sent to every parent requesting the following information. Is there

always someone in your home? If not, where do we call or send your child in case of illness or accident? Telephone number? Name of family physician and telephone number? This information has been tabulated on the Health Card of each child and in case of illness the teacher has this information available.

We had only one epidemic from a contagious disease this past year. This may be due to a number of reasons. The teachers are more alert to signs of illness and when they note that a child shows signs of illness they recommend that the child remain at home until all symptoms have disappeared. Most parents know and respect the rules of quarantine. A child showing any symptoms of illness such as running nose, headache, nausea or coughing should be kept at home for one or two days. A child ill at night should never be sent to school the following day. We have found that children who become ill in school during the morning session have usually been ill the night before and have been allowed to come to school physically unfit and often a menace to other children. Due to lack of transportation facilities we appreciate the co-operation of every parent to make it their responsibility to be sure their child is free from any signs of a contagious disease, before he is sent to school.

During the coming year we plan to improve our program. The physical examination of each High School student will be more thorough. An intensive Dental Health Teaching program will be conducted in the elementary grades and in the High School. A drive will be made for "corrective dentistry" especially among the High School group.

In closing I extend my thanks of appreciation to Mr. Nourse, Mr. Randall, principals, parents and janitors for their co-operation in our work during the past year. The teachers were most co-operative and often made helpful suggestions for our Health Program.

May we all unite in planning and carrying out our Health Teachings for the coming year. May we measure our results by fewer absentees from school, due to avoidable illnesses.

Respectfully yours,

DRUSILLA FOSTER, School Nurse.

EXTRACTS FROM THE SCHOOL CENSUS OF OCTOBER 1, 1942

	Males	Females	Total
Pupils between 7 and 16,	207	207	414
Pupils between 5 and 7,	49	33	82
	256	240	496

Sight and Hearing

Number of pupils examined,	525
Number of pupils found defective in eyesight,	32
Number of pupils found defective in hearing,	12
Number of notices sent to parents,	33
Number of employment certificates issued during year,	10
Number of educational certificates issued during year,	159
Number of days the elementary schools were in session,	177
Number of days the high school was in session,	182

SCHOOL BANK REPORT, 1942

Amount deposited in Bank, January 1, 1942,	\$ 407.15
Amount deposited by pupils, 1942,	281.87
Interest, 1942,	3.53
Amount withdrawn by pupils, 1942,	\$121.91
Amount transferred by pupils, 1942,	258.00
Balance in bank, December 31, 1942,	312.64
	\$692.55 \$692.55

Deposited by Grades

Center—

Grades 7 and 8,	\$ 9.25
Grades 6 and 7,	48.00
Grades 4 and 5,	69.44
Grades 2 and 3,	31.32
Grades 1 and 2,	29.99

Barrowsville—

Grammar Grades,	1.50
Intermediate Grades,	10.84
Primary Grades,	7.64

Sturdy School—

Grades 7 and 8,	15.84
Grades 5 and 6,	35.98
Grades 3 and 4,	14.39
Grades 1 and 2,	7.68

\$281.87

The bank deposits were smaller than usual this year due to the fact that the pupils deposited their money in war stamps and bonds. The amount used to purchase these stamps and bonds was much greater than was put into the school bank.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES S. RANDALL, Agent

THIRTY-SIXTH GRADUATION OF THE NORTON HIGH SCHOOL

Wheaton College Gymnasium
Thursday, June 25, 1942, at 8:00 P. M.

CLASS OF 1942

Processional,
Invocation,

Seniors

Reverend Hazel Rogers Gredler
Unitarian Church, Norton, Mass.

Address of Welcome, Mary Isabelle Fernandes
Song, "The House by the Side of the Road," arr. by Gaines
Mrs. M. H. Gulesian

School Chorus

Forum—"Victory"

1. "Youth's Need for Education in Citizenship,"
Gilbert Rugg Gredler

2. "What Can High School Youth do to Help the War Effort?" Donald Elmer Becker
 3. "What the High School can do in Promoting Morale During our Present National Crisis." Ruth Esther Haskell
 4. "The Pupils' View of Education for Work," Peter Samuel Stepanek
- Song, "Under the Banner of Victory,"
Arranged by Wilson, Franz Von Blon
School Chorus
- Presentation of the Washington and Franklin Prize,
Reverend Willard H. Roots, Mansfield, Mass.
- Presentation of the Alumni Association Award,
Mr. Paul Sabourin, President
- Presentation of the English Prize,
Awarded by the Norton Parent-Teachers' Association
Mr. William C. Morrison, President
- Presentation of the Wheaton Award,
Miss Helen Camara, Wheaton, '43
- Announcement of Prizes, Charles S. Randall, Principal
- Presentation of Diplomas, Professor E. J. Knapton
Member of the Norton School Committee
- Class Poem, Margaret Horsefield
- Benediction, Reverend Alexander Cooper
Trinitarian Church, Norton, Mass.
- Recessional.

Officers

President,	Mary Isabelle Fernandes
Vice-President,	Peter Samuel Stepanek
Secretary,	Gilbert Rugg Gredler
Treasurer,	Donald Elmer Becker

Graduates

- Classical Course—Gilbert Rugg Gredler, Hal Stoneham McMurrrough, Ruth Esther Haskell, Leone Ann Murray.
- General Course—Ida Viola Bellavance, Carol Helen Theresa Bottomley, Mary Isabelle Fernandes, Margaret Elizabeth Gonsalves, Margaret Horsfield, James Edward Newcomb, Marion Seymour.
- Commercial Course—Donald Elmer Becker, Miriam D. Has-

kell, Rita Marie Lamothe, Stephanie Anna Steel, Peter Samuel Stepanek, Arlene Lillian West.

Colors,
Motto,
Flower,

Blue and Gold
Forward never Backward
American Beauty Rose

School Faculty

Mr. Charles S. Randall, Principal

Mr. William Morrison, Vice-Principal

Miss Helen Caffrey

Mrs. Jean Findlater

Miss Helen Roche

Mrs. Charlotte Harnden

GRADUATION EXERCISES

Norton Grammar Schools

Wheaton College Gymnasium

Thursday Evening, June 18, 1942, 8:15 P. M.

Invocation

Reverend James A. Downey
St. Mary's Church

Salute to the Flag, All will take part
Under the leadership of Carl Joseph Bottomley, Jr.
Friendship of the Americas

Song, "Song of Union,"

Introduction—"Latin-American Friendship,"

Reader,

Barbara Ayotte

Song, "Lullaby,"

Mexico—"Siesta Hour in a Market Place,"

Song, "Hymn to the Sun."

Reader,

Lorne Brasier

Song, "Palomita,"

Brazil—"Coffee Plantation - Interdependence,"

Songs, "Palapala," "Buy My Tortillas,"

Reader,

Wilfred Roy

Song, "Choucouné,"

Central America—"Fiesta at El Salvador,"

Songs, "Flower of Changunga," "My Pretty Cabocla."

Reader,

Barbara Ayotte

Song, "Land of Hope and Glory,"

Americas United. Finale with all schools.

Reader,

Barbara Ayotte

Presentation of Perfect Attendance Certificates.

Presentation of Honor Certificates.

Mr. C. Herbert Salls, Principal Barrowsville School.

Presentation of American Legion School Awards,

Mr. Carl J. Bottomley

Commander, Harold A. Healey Post 222, American Legion

Presentation of the English Prizes awarded by Norton-

Parent-Teachers' Association, Mr. William C. Morrison,
President.

Presentation of Diplomas,

Prof. E. J. Knapton

Norton School Committee

Benediction,

Reverend Hazel Rogers Gredler

Unitarian Congregational Church

Music under the direction of Mrs. Alice M. Illingworth,

Supervisor of Music. Program under the direction of Gram-
mar School Principals. Acompanist, Dorothy Lincoln Clarke.

LIST OF GRADUATES

Center School

Charles S. Randall, Principal

Loretta McHugh, Assistant Principal

Alberta Lorraine Anderson

Betty Jean Perry

Barbara Ann Ayotte

Natalie Thayer Richards

Donald Ernest Butts

Virginia E. Rudd

Jeane Camara

Suzanne Shaw

June Estelle Cathcart

Clifford Arthur Titus

Warren Henry Collins

Ellen Mae Warfield

Isabell M. Harnden

Albert Clinton Watson

Gloria Margaret Michaud

Betty Virginia Woodward

Sturdy School

Lucille Clapp, Principal

Mary Ellen Baker

Randolph Allen Gould

Carl Joseph Bottomley, Jr.,

Anna Viola Mansi

Lorne Afton Brasier

Robert F. Marcure

Barbara Loraine Davis

Frederick Stanley Phillips

Mary Patricia Devlin

Howard Russell Pike

Charles Joseph Drane

Kenneth Allan Ramsay

Robert Clinton Gibbs

Cynthia Aldine Robinson

Wilfred J. Roy, Jr.

Barrowsville School

C. Herbert Salls, Principal

Edgard Courchesne

Roland Tondreault

Charles Lester Dorothy, Jr.

Gerard A. Roberge

Claire Lunia Leroux

Charlotte Ellen Limpus

Anita Anna Leroux

Gloria Richmond

NAMES OF PUPILS RECEIVING CERTIFICATE FOR PERFECT ATTENDANCE, JUNE, 1942

Center School

Grade 8—Betty Perry, Ellen Warfield, Alberta Anderson.

Grade 7—Natalie Baker.

Grade 6—Hilda Souza.

Grades 4-5—Conrad Lajoie, Ramon Orange, Richard Walker, Thelma Haskell, Carmella Pino, Margaret Pino, Fred Scott.

Grade 3—Barbara Tierney.

Grade 2—Sheila Tierney, Charlotte Watson.

Grade 1—Jean Scott, Wallace Watson.

Sturdy School

Grade 8—Stanley Phillips, Barbara Davis, Wilfred Roy.

Grade 7—Earl Jenks.

Grade 6—Ernest Lamoureux.

Grade 5—Victor Lamoureux.

Grade 3—Donald Lamoureux, Ernest Roy.

Barrowsville School

Grade 8—Charlotte Limpus.

Grade 7—Anita Roberge.

Grade 6—Louise Hunt.

Grade 4—Eunice Salley.

Grade 3—Shirley Hayes.

Grade 1—Charles Salley, Gilbert Salley.

High School

Eleanor Bauza, Ruth Cathcart, Mary Gonsalves, Drusilla Haskell, Rita Lamothe, Hazel Lorson, Margaret Gonsalves, Sadie Pino, Winthrop Bliss, Edward Patenaude, Donald Pike, Donald Thibeault, Charles Valentine, Allen Case.

MEMBERSHIP BY AGE AND GRADE, OCTOBER 1, 1942

—BOYS—

Age	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	Totals
Grade 1	10	23	3	1														37
2		6	12	7	3													28
3			4	13	13	3	1											34
4				3	11	3	5		1									23
5					2	8	3	5	2		1							26
6						5	3	4	3	2	2	1						25
7							3	11	16	3	1							34
8								2	6	4	3	1						16
9									4	6	7	1						18
10										8	6							14
11											2	2	3					7
12													4	2				6
Totals,	10	29	19	24	29	19	25	22	32	23	22	5	7	2				268

MEMBERSHIP BY AGE AND GRADE, OCTOBER 1, 1942
—GIRLS—

Age	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	Totals
Grade 1	7	12	5															24
2		9	15	3														27
3			11	8	3	3												26
4				6	9	3	4	1			1							23
5				1	8	5	3											26
6						8	6	4	2	2								22
7							5	18	6	1								30
8								4	3	2								9
9									10	10	1	2						23
10									2	5	3	1						11
11										3	9	10	1					23
12												11	6					17
Totals,	7	21	31	18	20	22	20	30	23	24	14	34	7					271

ATTENDANCE TABLE FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE, 1942

School	Boys	Girls	Aggregate Attendance	Average Daily Membership	Total Membership	Average Membership	Percent of Attendance	Number of Tardy Marks	Number of Dismissals
High			7,133.0	39.18	45	41.46	94.53	47	7
			12,362.0	67.92	77	72.27	93.11	45	16
Center	8		4,227.0	23.88	26	25.36	94.12	12	0
	6 & 7		6,445.5	36.42	40	39.27	92.74	8	5
	4 & 5		7,110.0	40.17	46	43.46	92.41	0	4
	2 & 3		5,705.0	32.23	38	34.75	92.77	23	1
	1 & 2		5,128.5	28.97	32	31.62	91.61	4	4
Sturdy	7 & 8		5,318.0	30.05	33	31.27	96.06	40	15
	5 & 6		6,380.0	36.05	40	37.71	95.51	13	0
	3 & 4		5,106.5	28.84	32	31.20	92.45	73	0
	1 & 2		4,829.0	27.29	32	30.62	89.09	16	0
Barrowsville	6 - 8		3,078.0	17.39	19	18.25	95.26	108	10
	3 - 5		4,008.5	22.65	27	24.33	93.08	8	1
	1 - 2		3,217.0	18.18	22	19.60	93.31	15	1
	1 - 5		1,827.5	10.32	15	11.43	90.34	17	1
			81,875.5	459.54	524	492.60	93.09	429	65

School	Grade	Name	Date appointed	Where Educated
High	Principal	Charles S. Randall, B.S., Ed.M.	1921	Harvard University
				Middlebury College
	Asst. Principal	William C. Morrison, B. S.	1940	Middlebury College
				Harvard University
		Helen L. Roche, A.B., A. M.	1941	Boston University
Center Grammar 8 and Asst. Prin.		Jean M. Findlater, A.B.	1936	Wheaton College
		Helen J. Caffrey, B.S., Ed.	1917	Fitchburg State Teachers' College, Boston University
		Loretta McHugh, B.S., Ed.	1935	Bridgewater State Teachers' College.
	6 - 7	Lucille Clapp, A. B.	1937	Wheaton College
	4 - 5	Mary E. Larkin, B.S. Ed.	1941	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
Sturdy	2 - 3	Mildred Greene	1924	Wheaton College
	1 - 2	Elizabeth J. Raymond, B.S. Ed.	1942	Teachers' College, Columbia University
	7-3 Act. Prin.	William Mahoney, B.S. Ed.	1942	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
	5 - 6	Mildred Wetherell	1921	Hyannis State Teachers' College
	3 - 4	Barbara Freeman, B.S. Ed.	1941	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
	1 - 2	Esther M. Bradstreet	1917	The Wheelock Kindergarten School

TEACHERS, DECEMBER 31, 1942—Continued

School	Grade	Name	Date appointed	Where Educated
Barrowsville	6-8 Act. Prin. 3-5	Clarence H. Salls, A.B.	1941	Dartmouth
		Margaret Crouse	1929	Lowell State Teachers' College.
Number 8	1-2	Dorothy L. Russell, B.S. Ed.	1941	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
	1-5	Eleanor McLaughlin, B.S. Ed.	1941	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
	Drawing Music Homemaking	Rowena B. Rice Alice M. Illingworth Charlotie S. Harnden	1927 1913 1941	Worcester Art Museum N. E. Conservatory of Music Framingham State Teachers' College
Members of the teaching force on leave of absence for military service.		George F. Johnston, B.S. Ed.	1938	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
		Henri A. Yelle, B.S. Ed.	1935	University of Dayton
		Robert C. Jackson, B.S. Ed.	1937	Urbana Jr. College, Bridgewater State Teachers' College

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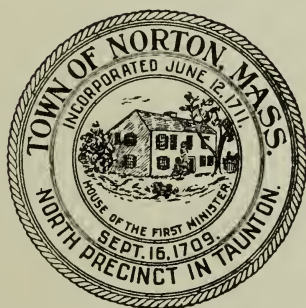
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OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF NORTON

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER

George E. Smith

SELECTMEN

Vinton I. Reynolds	Term expires	1944
John G. Adair	" "	1945
John B. Scott	" "	1946

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Vinton I. Reynolds (appointed in vacancy of W. Robert La-Chapelle (who resigned for service in U.S.A.)	Term expires	1944
Lester M. Johnson	" "	1945
Bernard A. Cabisius	" "	1946

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Arthur M. Freeman	Term expires	1946
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ASSESSORS

Leonard A. Witherell	Term expires	1944
William E. Fales	" "	1945
Percy L. Hinds	" "	1946

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Ernest J. Knapton	Term expires	1944
Helen Gavin	" "	1945
Arthur L. Valentine	" "	1946

WATER COMMISSIONERS

Bertram F. Fales	Term expires	1944
Carleton H. Draper—Elected at joint meeting Jan. 3, 1944 to fill vacancy caused by the death of Jesse Ridgeway whose	Term expires	1945
Leonard A. Witherell	" "	1946

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

George E. Smith

TOWN COLLECTOR

George E. Smith

REFORESTATION COMMITTEE

Joseph W. Crowshaw	Term expires	1944
Gertrude C. Milliken	" "	1945
Clifford E. Reynolds	" "	1946

CONSTABLES

Wilfred W. Becker	Carleton H. Draper
Stephen Benaski	Benjamin B. Scanlon
Frank A. Clapp	William R. Scott
Ralph F. Clapp	William J. Tucker

MODERATOR

Vinton I. Reynolds

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Francis A. Hatch	Edward Gwilliam
William R. Scott	

CHIEF OF POLICE

Benjamin B. Scanlon

DOG OFFICER

Stephen Benaski

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Clifford E. Casey—(Harold S. Woodward resigned)

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Oliver E. White

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Bernard A. Cabisius

MILK INSPECTOR—SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES

Lewis S. Rubin

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS AND SLAUGHTERING

Alphee Pelletier

FIRE ENGINEERS

Howard A. Foster
Hollis Rand
Arthur Ross
Harold Wetherell

Albert S. Lincoln
George Richmond
Bert Wetherell
Oliver White

Harold S. Woodward

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Homer L. Lane
Elwin Nason
Albert F. Woodward

Term expires 1944
" " 1945
" " 1946

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Term expires 1944

John G. Adair
Lester M. Johnson

Lloyd T. Packer
Arthur Ross

Arthur T. Sturdy Jr.

Terms expire 1945

Thomas F. Manning, *Chairman*
Clifford E. Reynolds

Kenneth MacLeod
Henry I. Shaw

Albert F. Woodward

Terms expire 1946

Oscar Bellavance
Benedict J. Yelle

Arthur Wood
Arthur Freeman

Fred C. Roach

REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE OF OFFICIALS

ASSESSORS

Town Hall

Second Monday of each month at 8:00 P. M.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Town Hall

Friday before 1st Monday and Wednesday before 3rd Thursday each month

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

High School

Last Monday of each month, 7:30 P. M.

SELECTMEN

Town Hall

Last Monday and 3rd Thursday of each month 8 P. M.

WATER COMMISSIONERS

Town Hall

1st Tuesday of each month 7:30 P. M.

SELECTMEN'S APPOINTMENTS

As Reported to the Town Clerk

Forest Fire Warden	Oliver E. White
Superintendent of Streets	Clifford E. Casey (Harold S. Woodward resigned)
Chief of Police	Benjamin B. Scanlon
Dog Officer	Stephen Benaski (Benj. B. Scanlon resigned)
Cemetery Commissioners	Francis W. Hatch, William R. Scott, Edward Gwilliam
Moth Superintendent	Bernard Cabisius
Inspector of Animals	Alphee Pelletier
Inspector of Slaughtering	Alphee Pelletier
Public Weighers	W. C. S. Wood, Arthur Wood, Cecil T. Bailey, Frederick E. Roach
Burial Agent	Benedict J. Yelle
Registrar of Voters (3 years)	Albert F. Woodward
Milk Inspector	Lewis S. Rubin
Sealer of Weights and Measures	Lewis S. Rubin
Inspector of Petroleum Products	Lewis S. Rubin
Member of Reforestation Committee for 3 years	Clifford E. Reynolds
Fence Viewers	Arthur E. Sweet, Benjamin B. Scanlon, Elmer W. Clarke, M. D.
Special Police	Alfred S. Thornton, Carleton H. Draper William R. Scott, Bernard A. Cabisius William V. Flaherty, Howard A. Richards Kenneth J. MacLeod, Albert Pelletier George Nesbit
Industrial Accident Agent	Arthur M. Freeman
Town Accountant for three years	Arthur M. Freeman

AUCTIONEERS, POOL TABLE AND JUNK LICENSES

Pool Table License—Edward T. Roberts—recorded July 9, 1943
 Junk License—William Familant—issued May 25 (86 Summer St. Brockton)
 Auctioneer's License—James C. Watson—July 26, 1943
 Auctioneer's License—Benjamin B. Scanlon—October 20, 1943
 Junk License—Paul F. Splaine—67 Broadway, Taunton—Nov. 22, 1943

APPOINTMENT OF ASSESSOR

Norton, Massachusetts
January 15, 1943

At a joint meeting of the Assessors and Selectmen, Percy L. Hinds was appointed assessor to fill the unexpired term of E. Francis Lemaire resigned. Appointment signed by Leonard A. Witherell and William E. Fales, Assessors; John B. Scott and John G. Adair, Selectmen.

Qualified by the town clerk, January 15, 1943

RESIGNATION OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE MEMBER

South Worcester Street
Norton, Massachusetts
June 25, 1943

Office of the Town Clerk
Mansfield Avenue
Norton,
Massachusetts

Mr. George E. Smith, Clerk

Dear Sir:

Being called into active service of the U. S. armed forces, I wish to submit my resignation as member of the Board of Public Welfare, effective June 30, 1943.

Yours very truly,
(Signed)

W. Robert LaChapelle

Transmitted to Board of Public Welfare. Vinton I. Reynolds appointed at a joint meeting, and took the oath of office.

George E. Smith, Clerk

AUXILIARY POLICE

January 18, 1943

On this date the following appeared before me and were qualified for the Auxiliary Police by taking the oath of office prescribed:

Albert Pelletier, Americo F. Camara, Theago G. Rei, Daniel Reindeau, Carl A. Chace, Herbert E. Winter, Everett D. Brown, Andrew Scott, Walter H. Barrows, Walter O. Kelly, John Helpard.

GEORGE E. SMITH

Justice of the Peace

LIST OF JURORS

List of Jurors prepared July 1, 1943 by selectmen in accordance with general laws.

Name	Occupation
Adair, John G.	Meat Dealer
Bartley, Edward D.	Electrician
Benaski, Stephen	Farm Superintendent
Blette, Peter H.	Farmer
Cabisius, Bernard A.	Garage Owner
Cabisius, Julius	Retired
Fitzgibbons, James C.	Jeweler
Freeman, Arthur M.	Accountant
Freeman, Carlos	Farmer
Gavin, Phillip A.	Salesman
Hallihan, John, Jr.	Jeweler
Haskell, William E.	Manufacturer
Hinds, Percy	Bookkeeper
Jordan, Clark E.	Mill Operative
Lamothe, Adelbert A.	Mill Operative
Leroux, Herman	Mill Operative
MacLeod, Kenneth	Farmer
McGrath, Frank	Mill Operative
McIntire, Walter O.	Retired
Moran, Thomas F.	Jeweler
Nason, Charles O.	Woodworker
Radevicz, Michael	Jeweler
Reinhard, Lawrence	Tree Surgeon
Roach, Frederick H.	Retired
Roy, Albert	Jeweler
Schissler, Edward H.	Shipping Clerk
Seel, Ole	Salesman
Valentine, Arthur L.	Toolmaker
Wood, Arthur C.	Grain Dealer
Yelle, Benedict	Carpenter

1943 JURORS DRAWN

January 1, 1943

Alton T. Tully, Hospital Employee, Superior Court, at Taunton, Monday, February 1, 1943 at ten o'clock A. M.
 Morris E. Reynolds—jeweler—Grand jury criminal Superior Court, New Bedford, Monday, Feb. 1, 1943 at 10 o'clock A. M.

Harold B. Ward, Carpenter, Superior Court at Taunton, February 8, 1943 at ten o'clock A. M.

January 6

John MacFarlane, Clerk Traverse Jury Superior Court at Fall River, Jan. 8, 1943 at 10 o'clock A. M.

February 1

Henry I. Shaw—retired—Superior Court at Taunton, March 1, 1943 at 10 o'clock A. M.

February 4

Charles H. Freeman,—Farmer—Superior Court at Fall River, March 29, 1943 at 10 o'clock A. M.

February 6

Hugh C. Scott—farmer—Superior Court at New Bedford, Monday, May 5, 1943 at 10 o'clock A. M. (Civil)

May 4

Robert Nowell—engineer—Superior Court New Bedford Monday, June 7, 1943 at 10 o'clock A. M.

August 24

Frank McGrath—Mill operative—Superior Court at Fall River—September 20, 1943 at 10 o'clock A. M.

October 1

William E. Haskell, Manufacturer, Fall River Superior Court, November 1, 1943 at 10 o'clock A. M.

November 4

Arthur L. Valentine, Superior Court at New Bedford, Monday, December 6, 1943 at 10 o'clock A. M.—Tool maker.

December 7

John J. Hallihan, Jeweler, Traverse Jury New Bedford, Monday, January 3rd, 1944, 10 o'clock A. M.

December 7

John G. Adair, Meat dealer, Traverse Jury at Fall River, Monday—January 3rd, 1944 10 o'clock A. M.

REGISTRARS' MEETINGS 1943

January 17

Full board met from 12 A.M. to 10 P. M., when thirty appeared for registration. The voting lists were revised preparatory to printing. At the close of registration the number of voters were Women, 891—Men, 898—total 1,789.

At this meeting nomination papers were certified as follows:

Moderator for one year—Clifford C. Hubbard	38 names
Town Clerk for one year—George E. Smith	31 names

Board Public Welfare—Paul H. Sabourin
Assessor for Three Years—Ole G. Seel

48 names

35 names

Signed:

HOMER L. LANE
ALBERT F. WOODWARD
EDWIN NASON
GEORGE E. SMITH

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS 1943

- April 29—Received of Marcia J. Hogan, 785 No. Main St., Attleboro, two hundred dollars (\$200) for a perpetual care burial lot fund to be known as the Crossman & Hogan Fund. The interest to be used for the care and improvement of the Crossman-Hogan lot in the Common Cemetery.
- May 8—Received of Mrs. Ada Russel, one hundred dollars for a perpetual care burial lot trust fund to be known as the John and Ada Russel Fund, the interest to be used for the care and improvement of the above named lot in the Common Cemetery.
- May 20—Received of Mayne Haskell, one hundred dollars for a perpetual care burial lot trust fund to be known as the George O. Haskell Fund: the interest to be used for the care and improvement of the George O. Haskell lot in the Common Cemetery.
- June 5—Received of John J. Higgins, Esq., executor of the estate of Willie S. Lincoln \$300.00 for a perpetual care burial lot trust fund to be known as the Willie S. Lincoln Fund, the interest to be used for the perpetual care and upkeep of the Willie S. Lincoln lot in Winnecunnet Cemetery.
- October 16—Received of Grace M. Rollins, executrix of the estate of Daniel J. Eddy. Three hundred dollars for a Burial Lot Fund for the family lot of Daniel J. Eddy in the Crane Cemetery in Norton. This sum to be securely invested and the income to be used for the perpetual care and upkeep of said lot in said Crane cemetery.
- September 29—Received of Virgil H. Leonard, One hundred dollars for a perpetual care fund for the care and upkeep of the Virgil H. Leonard lot in the Center Cemetery.
- November 15—Received of Mrs. A. L. Ward, widow of the late Barna Woodward, one hundred dollars for a perpetual care burial lot fund to be known as the Barna Woodward Fund, the interest to be used for the care and upkeep of the Barna Woodward lot in the Common Cemetery.

GEORGE E. SMITH, Town Clerk

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, 1943

Bristol, ss.

To Frank A. Clapp or either of the Constables of the Town of
Norton, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Norton to meet in the town hall in said Norton on Monday evening the first day of March, 1943 at eight o'clock then and there to act on the following articles; and you are also hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of the said town to meet in the town hall in said Norton on Monday, March 8th, 1943 at 12 o'clock noon, to elect one Selectman, One Assessor, one Member of the Board of Water Commissioners, one Member of the School Committee, one Member of the Board of Public Welfare, each for a term of three years, also a Town Clerk, a Treasurer, a Collector of Taxes and one or more Constables; a Tree Warden, and a Moderator, all to serve one year.

The polls may be closed at eight o'clock P. M.

- Article 1. To choose all other town officers required by law and not provided for on the ballot.
- Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the report of the town officers.
- Article 3. To determine the salaries of the town officials for the ensuing year in accordance with Chap. 41, Sec. 108 G. L. viz Town Clerk, Treasurer, Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Assessors, Collector of Taxes, Moderator, Tree Warden, Constables, Water Commissioners, and School Committee.
- Article 4. To raise and appropriate money to defray the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year.
- (a) For repairs and improvements of roads.
 - (b) For repairs and improvements of bridges and railings and other necessary tools and equipment.
 - (c) For the support of schools, school supplies, transportation, vocational education, salary of the superintendent, school physician, attendance officers and repairs.
 - (d) For the maintenance and operating expenses of the water department.
 - (e) For the support of the Public Library.
 - (f) For Memorial Day expenses.

- (g) For the care and repairs of the Common at the Center.
- (h) For the maintenance and running expenses of the fire department.
- (i) For payment of state and military aid.
- (j) For payment of soldiers relief.
- (k) For Public Welfare and Aid to Dependent Children.
- (l) For the expense of the board of health.
- (m) For payment of town debt.
- (n) For interest on town debt and temporary loans.
- (o) For the expense and prevention of forest fires.
- (p) For the expense of the police department.
- (q) For the expense of the tree warden.
- (r) For the expense of the town hall.
- (s) For registration and election expenses including salaries.
- (t) For general government including salaries and expenses of the following officers; town clerk, treasurer, selectmen, board of public welfare, assessors, collector of taxes, accountant and moderator.
- (u) For an appropriation in pursuance of Chapter 436 Acts of 1936 (O. A. A. law.)
- (v) For the expense of the sealer of weights and measures.
- (w) For the printing and delivering of the annual town reports.
- (x) For insurance of public buildings, compensation insurance and insurance of all town trucks including the fire trucks, in accordance with Chap. 403 Acts of 1936.
- (y) For removal of snow.
- (z) For the salary of a nurse for work in the public schools for the current year.

- Article 5. To raise and appropriate money for the suppression of gypsy and brown tail moths.
- Article 6. To raise and appropriate money for the town's proportion of the annual maintenance of the Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital.
- Article 7. To see what action the town will take to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquor in the town and raise and appropriate money therefor.
- Article 8. To see if the town will vote to authorize the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to

- borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1943 and to raise a note or notes therefor payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Sec. 17 Chap. 44 G. L.
- Article 9. To raise and appropriate money for legal services.
- Article 10. To raise and appropriate money for street lighting.
- Article 11. To hear the report of the committee on reforestation including repairs on the town farm, and take any action thereon.
- Article 12. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out the recommendations of the reforestation committee regarding reforestation.
- Article 13. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out the recommendations of the reforestation committee regarding repairs at the town farm to be expended under the supervision of said committee.
- Article 14. To see if the town will vote to authorize any board of town officials to appoint any of their number to any other office and fix the compensation according to Chapter 41, Sec. 4A General Laws.
- Article 15. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for a reserve fund as authorized by Chap. 40 of the General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.
- Article 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the state or county or both under Chapter 90 for the maintenance of Chapter 90 roads in town or take any action in relation thereto.
- Article 17. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Machinery Equipment Fund for the purpose of purchasing a road sander or take any action relative thereto.
- Article 18. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the surplus revenue to reduce the tax sale of 1943 subject to G. L.
- Article 19. To see if the town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Machinery Equipment Fund to the Machinery Account for the purpose of repairing and operating road machinery.

- Article 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used for the purpose of the committee on public safety, under the provisions of Chapter 487 of the Acts of 1941 or take any other action relative thereto.
- Article 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay certain bills under Sec. 64 Chapter 44 G. L. or take any action relative thereto.
- Article 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the general care of town owned cemeteries or take any action relative thereto. (by request of the cemetery commissioners.)
- Article 23. To see if the town will vote to authorize the school committee to sell a percentage of the typewriters now owned by the school department to Federal Agencies for the purpose of aiding in the prosecution of the present war, or take any action relative thereto. (by request)
- Article 24. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Sec. 38A of Chapter 41 of the G. L. as last amended by Chap. 211 of the Acts of 1941 which statute provides that the collector of taxes under the title of town collector shall collect all accounts due the town and to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto. (by request of the water commissioners)
- Article 25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for payment of land damages in connection with the recent taking of certain land along Bay Road by the board of county commissioners for the purpose of widening and straightening the highway leading to the Army Camp (Myles Standish) or take any action relative thereto.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies of the body of the same at each of the public meeting houses and at least three other public places in said town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the acting moderator at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this first day of February in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred Forty Three.

Signed: VINTON I. REYNOLDS
JOHN B. SCOTT
JOHN G. ADAIR
Selectmen of Norton

Norton, Mass., March 1, 1943

I have served this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the public meeting houses in said town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Signed:

FRANK A. CLAPP

Constable of Norton

RECORD OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, 1943

The business meeting was held on the evening of March 1, with attendance of about 125 voters. Under

Article 1. the following officers were chosen by acclamation:
Measurers of Lumber—Arthur E. Sweet, Daniel A. Woodward, Albert S. Lincoln, Francis J. Murphy, Oliver E. White.

Measurers of Wood—Arthur E. Sweet, Lewis B. Woodward, Walter C. S. Wood, Arthur C. Wood, Thomas A. Beaman, E. Clifton Becker, Oliver E. White, Albert S. Lincoln.

Pound Keeper—Julius Leonard.

Article 2. Mr. George H. Fuller asked that the special fund designated as the Norton War Chest Fund be changed to "War Memorial Fund," as it would be confused with the War Chest of the present.

Lester Johnson called attention to the new meeting nights of the Welfare Board, Friday before the first Monday, and the Wednesday preceding the third Thursday of each month. With these changes it was voted to accept report of town officers.

Article 3. On this and subsequent articles motions were made by Thomas F. Manning, Chairman of the finance committee and seconded by Lester Johnson. Voted that the salaries be the same as last year with the following bonuses. Town Clerk, \$25.00, Town Treasurer \$50.00, Collector of Taxes, \$50.00, Selectmen, \$50.00 each; Assessors, \$50.00 each; Accountant, \$50.00; Welfare Board, \$50.00 each; Moderator, \$5.00, making the amounts to each; Town Clerk, \$150.00; Town Treasurer, \$550.00; Collector of Taxes, \$550.00; Selectmen, \$200.00 each; Assessors, \$400.00 each; Accountant, \$550.00; Welfare Board, \$150.00 each; Moderator, \$25.00.

- Article 4.
- (a) Voted for the repairs and improvements of roads fifty-seven hundred dollars, (\$5,700.)
 - (b) Voted for repairs and improvements of bridges and railings and other necessary tools and equipment, three hundred dollars, (\$300.)
 - (c) Voted for the support of schools, school supplies, transportation, vocational, salary of the superintendent, school physician, attendance officers and repairs, Fifty thousand, eight hundred fifty six dollars, (\$50,856.00).
 - (d) Voted for the maintenance and operating expenses of the water department, Eight thousand five hundred (\$8,500.) dollars.
 - (e) Voted for the support of the public library, One thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars.
 - (f) Voted for Memorial Day exercises, One hundred twenty-five (\$125.00) dollars.
 - (g) Voted for the care and repairs of the Common at the Center (Library Square), Seventy-five (\$75.00) dollars.
 - (h) Voted for the maintenance and running expenses of the fire department, Three thousand six hundred twenty (\$3,620.) dollars.
 - (i) Voted for payment of state and military aid Four hundred (\$400) dollars.
 - (j) Voted for payment of soldiers relief, Six hundred fifty (\$650.00) dollars.
 - (k) Voted for Aid to Dependent Children, One thousand five hundred forty (\$1,540.00) dollars; for relief in town, Three thousand six hundred (\$3,600.00) for outside relief, One thousand two hundred (\$1,200.00) dollars; for salary of social worker, 52 weeks at \$27.00 per week, One thousand four hundred four (\$1,404) dollars. Total, Seven thousand seven hundred forty-four (\$7,744) dollars.
 - (l) Voted for the expense of the Board of Health, Eight hundred (\$800.00) dollars.
 - (m) Voted for payment of town debt, five thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars.
 - (n) Voted for interest on town debt and temporary loans, one thousand eight hundred seventy five (\$1,875) dollars.
 - (o) Voted for the expense and prevention of forest fires, five hundred (\$500.) dollars.

- (p) Voted for the expense of the police department, one thousand nine hundred (\$1,900) dollars.
- (q) Voted for the expense of the tree warden, one hundred seventy-five (\$175) dollars.
- (r) Voted for the expense of the town hall, six hundred (\$600.) dollars.
- (s) Voted for registration and election including salaries, five hundred ninety (\$590) dollars; that the salaries be the same as last year but a bonus of ten dollars each be given the four registrars.
- (t) Voted for general government including salaries and expenses of the town clerk, town treasurer, selectmen, board of public welfare, assessors, collector of taxes, accountant and moderator as follows:

	Salary	Bonus	Expenses
Town Clerk	\$150.00	\$ 25.00	\$275.00
Town Treasurer	500.00	50.00	735.00
Collector of Taxes	500.00	50.00	900.00
Selectmen			
Ea. \$150	450.00	150.00 (ea. \$50)	275.00
Assessors			
Ea. \$350	1,050.00	150.00 (ea. \$50)	400.00
Accountant	500.00	50.00	150.00
Welfare Board			
Ea. \$100	300.00	150.00 (ea. \$50)	Pd. from Fed.
			Funds
Moderator	20.00	5.00	none
Totals	\$3,470.00	\$630.00	\$2,735.00

Total amount voted under this article, six thousand eight hundred thirty-five (\$6,835.00) dollars.

- (u) Voted for old age assistance to be raised and appropriated, eighteen thousand (\$18,000) dollars.
- (v) Voted for the expenses of the sealer of weights and measures, one hundred forty (\$140.) dollars.
- (w) Voted for printing and delivering the annual town reports and finance committee's recommendations for printing only \$466.53; for de-

- livering \$17.97, a total of four hundred eighty four dollars and fifty cents(\$484.50).
- (x) Voted for insurance of public buildings, compensation insurance and insurance of all town trucks including the fire trucks in accordance with Chap. 403, Acts of 1936, two thousand five hundred (\$2,500) dollars.
 - (y) Voted for removal of snow, two thousand (\$2,000.) dollars.
 - (z) Voted for the salary of a nurse for work in the public schools, nine hundred (\$900) dollars.
- Article 6. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand one hundred fifty eight and 33/100 (\$2,158.33) dollars for the town's proportion of the annual maintenance of the Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital.
- Article 5. Voted to raise and appropriate six hundred (\$600.) dollars for the suppression of the gypsy and brown tail moths.
- Article 7. Voted to dismiss from the Warrant (suppressing the illegal sale of intoxicating liquor).
- Article 8. Voted that the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1943, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with the Sec. 17 of Chapter 44 G. Laws.
- Article 9. Voted to raise and appropriate seventy five (\$75.) dollars for legal services.
- Article 10. Voted to raise and appropriate one thousand, nine hundred ninety-two and 36/100 (\$1,992.36) dollars for street lighting.
- Article 11. To hear the report of the committee on reforestation, including repairs on the town farm, and take any action thereon. Mrs. Gertrude Milliken, chairman of the committee read this report and it was voted that it be adopted and placed on file. Mrs. Milliken received the thanks of the townspeople for her work in behalf of the town forest.
- Article 12 Voted to appropriate one hundred thirty-five dollars from the Sale of Pines Fund, interest together with forty dollars unexpended balance of last year making (\$175.00) the whole appropriation.

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- Article 13. Voted to raise and appropriate one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for repairs on the town farm to be expended under the supervision of the reforestation committee.
- Article 14. Voted the selectmen appoint a clerk at a salary of \$75.00; water board appoint a clerk at a salary of \$200.00; school committee appoint a clerk at a salary of \$50.00.
- Article 15. Voted that \$2,000 be appropriated from the surplus overlay for a Reserve Fund.
- Article 16. Voted that five hundred dollars (\$500.) be raised and appropriated to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the state or county or both under Chapter 90 for the maintenance of Chapter 90 roads in town.
- Article 17. Voted to appropriate one hundred twenty-five (\$125.) dollars from the machinery equipment fund for the purpose of purchasing a road sander.
- Article 18. Voted to appropriate eight thousand (\$8,000) dollars from surplus revenue to reduce taxation of 1943.
- Article 19. Voted to transfer one thousand dollars (\$1,000) from the Machinery Equipment Fund to the Equipment Account for the purpose of repairing and operating road machinery.
- Article 20. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred (\$500.) dollars to be used for the purpose of the Committee on Public Safety (see Chap. 487 Acts of 1941.)
- Article 21. Voted to dismiss the article from the Warrant.
- Article 22. Voted to raise and appropriate two hundred fifty (\$250.) dollars for general care of the town owned cemeteries; this to include a new water pipe at the Common Cemetery.
- Article 23. Voted to authorize the school committee to sell 20% of the typewriters of the school department to federal agencies for the purpose of aiding in the prosecution of the war. ("20% would be two,"—Mr. Nourse.)
- Article 24. Voted to accept Sec. 38A Chapt. of 41 G. L. as last amended by Chapter 21, Acts of 1941 relative to the collector of taxes, under the title of town collector, collecting all accounts due the town.
- Article 25. Voted to raise and appropriate two hundred (\$200) dollars for payment of land damages in connection with the recent taking of certain land along Bay Road by the County Commissioners for the purpose

of widening and straightening the highway leading to Camp Myles Standish.

(The meeting here adjourned for one week when the annual election of officers was held).

March 8, 1943

The polls were open at 12 A. M. for the election of officers. Frank A. Clapp was constable in charge of the ballot box, and Lena Whitaker and Arlene Plunkett were ballot clerks. Tellers were Arthur Wood, Lewis Rubin, Benedict Yelle, Arthur Freeman, John G. Adair, Darius Briggs, Fred Miller.

Five hundred three voted as per ballot box register and check lists. The count was finished at 9:15 P. M. with the following results:

Town Clerk for one year, George E. Smith, Mansfield Ave.	
Three hundred ninety one	391
Blanks and scattering—one hundred twelve	112
	503
Town Treasurer for one year, George E. Smith, Mansfield Ave.	
Three hundred eighty-eight	388
Blanks and scattering—one hundred fifteen	115
	503
Collector of Taxes for one year, George E. Smith, Mansfield Ave.	
Three hundred ninety-three	393
Blanks and scattering—one hundred ten	110
	503
Selectman for three years, John B. Scott, Clapp St.	
Four hundred fifteen	415
Blanks and scattering—eighty-eight	88
	503
Assessor for three years, Percy L. Hinds, Washington St.	
Three hundred seventy-eight	378
Ole G. Seel, Library Sq., Seventy-four	74
Blanks and scattering—fifty-one	51
	503
Board of Public Welfare for three years,	
Bernard A. Cabisius, Main St.	
Three hundred seven	307
Paul H. Sabourin, Main St.	
One hundred sixty-six	166
Blanks—Thirty	30
	503

Water Commissioner for three years, Leonard A. Witherell, Main St.	
Four hundred seventeen	417
Blanks—eighty-six	86
	503
Tree Warden for one year, Albert S. Lincoln, Plain St.	
Three hundred ninety-eight	398
Blanks—one hundred five	105
	503
Constables for one year	
Wilfred W. Becker, Washington St.	
Three hundred thirty-nine	339
Stephen Benaski, Pine St.	
Three hundred nine	309
Frank A. Clapp, Clapp St.	
Three hundred seventy-five	375
Ralph F. Clapp, Clapp St.	
Three hundred twenty-four	324
Carleton H. Draper, Washington St.	
Three hundred sixty-seven	367
Benjamin B. Scanlon, Library Square	
Three hundred sixty-six	366
William R. Scott, Taunton Ave.	
Three hundred eighty-one	381
William J. Tucker, Union St.	
Three hundred twenty-six	326
Blanks and scattering—one thousand two hundred thirty-seven	1237
	4024
School Committee for three years	
Arthur L. Valentine, No. Worcester St.	
Three hundred seventy-three	373
Blanks—one hundred thirty	130
	503
Moderator for one year, Clifford C. Hubbard, Main St.	
Two hundred ten	210
Vinton I. Reynolds, No. Worcester St.	
Two hundred sixty-seven	267
Blanks—twenty-six	26
	503

Town Committee for one year

Frank A. Clapp	399
Bernard A. Cabisius	379
Arthur L. Valentine	370
Blanks	361

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Before adjournment the moderator announced his appointments of the finance committee for 1943.

Oscar Bellavance	Fred C. Roach
Benedict J. Yelle	Arthur C. Wood
Arthur M. Freeman	

Adjourned:

GEORGE E. SMITH,
Town Clerk

TOWN CAUCUS 1943

A citizens caucus was held February 10, 1943 for the purpose of nominating candidates for the annual town election. About 40 attended and Frank A. Clapp, chairman of the town committee, presided, while George E. Smith was elected clerk. For Town Clerk, George E. Smith was nominated by Carl J. Bottomley and Ralph Clapp nominated Alfred A. Clapp. It was necessary to ballot and the chairman appointed for tellers Harold S. Woodward, Fred Miller and Carl J. Bottomley.

A tie resulted in the first ballot, seventeen being cast for each candidate with seven blanks. A second vote was counted, and the tellers reported that there were 38 voters in the hall but there were 41 votes in the ballot box. A third ballot was taken while a hurried rush to the hall corridor brought in some additional voters. This resulted in a vote of 23 for Clapp and 18 for Smith.

Mr. Clapp was not present at the caucus and the following day stated that his name was used without his knowledge or wish. His resignation as a candidate was later sent to the Town Committee while nomination papers were taken out by Mr. George E. Smith. For Town Treasurer, George E. Smith was nominated without opposition. Collector of Taxes for one year, George E. Smith. Selectman for three years, John B. Scott. Board of Public Welfare for three years Bernard A. Cabisius, for Assessor for three years, Percy L. Hinds received the nom-

ination over his competitor Ole G. Seel. The remaining nominations were unopposed; namely, School Committee for three years, Arthur L. Valentine; Water Commissioner for three years, Leonard A. Witherell; Moderator for one year, Vinton I. Reynolds; Tree Warden for one year, Albert S. Lincoln; Constables for one year, Wilfred W. Becker; Stephen Benaski, Frank A. Clapp, Ralph Clapp, Carlton H. Draper, Benjamin Scanlon, William R. Scott, William J. Tucker.

Town Committee Frank A. Clapp, Bernard A. Cabisius, and Arthur L. Valentine. Voted that in case of death, withdrawal or ineligibility a candidate or candidates, the vacancy may be filled by the town committee. The town clerk advised all those seeking office by nomination papers to present them before 5 o'clock P. M. February 17, with at least 28 signatures.

DOGS LICENSED IN NORTON 1943

	M	F	S		M	F	S	
Ashley, C. W.				Kennel	Bliss, Flora E.	1	-	-
Ash, Charles P.	1	-	-		Burgess, Lees	1	-	-
Abrahamson, Gustave	1	-	-		Brooks, Roy U.	2	-	-
Anderson, Einar	1	-	-		Barron, John E. Jr.	-	-	1
Alves, John C.	1	-	-		Britton, Adelbert	1	-	-
Adair, John R.	1	-	1		Bellavance, Roland	1	-	1
Alger, Natalie	1	-	-		Bliss, Howard	-	-	1
Atwood, Edwin E.	1	-	-		Bauza, John	2	-	-
Allen, Joseph F.	1	-	-		Bump, Frank	3	1	-
Askew, Richard	1	-	-		Beaudoin, Aime	1	-	-
Andrews, George	-	1	-		Brown, Armand Sr.	-	-	1
Anderson, Henriette	1	-	-		Brown, Oliver	1	1	-
Adair, Charles R.	-	1	-		Bonney, Norman	-	2	-
Alpert, Samuel	1	-	-		Becker, E. Clifton	-	1	-
Angus, Cecil C.	1	-	-		Brasier, Lorne	-	1	-
					Brown, Joseph	-	-	2
Bradstreet, Esther	-	-	1		Bouchard, Edmund	1	-	-
Bartley, John	1	-	-		Bellavance, Victor D.	1	-	-
Bernheimer, Paul	1	1	-		Bleete, Peter H.	-	1	-
Blanding, Edward L.	-	-	1		Brown, Everett D.	1	-	-
Butler, Joseph	2	-	-		Breault, Raymond	1	-	-
Bolton, Flora	1	-	-		Bonin, George P.	1	-	-
Brasier, Melvin	-	1	-					
Bellavance, Oscar	1	-	-		Clapp, Frank A.	-	1	-
Balfour, Lloyd G.	3	-	-		Clapp, Charles M.	-	1	-

	M	F	S		M	F	S
Clapp, Louise	1	-	-	Fitzgerald, Maurice	1	-	-
Charette, Thomas O.	2	-	-	Facey, Daniel	1	1	-
Cheetham, Katherine	-	-	1	Fales, Bertram	2	1	-
Cheetham, Charles	1	-	-	Foster, Howard	1	-	-
Cail, James C.	1	-	-	Freeman, Arnold	1	-	-
Cabana, Ephraim	1	-	-	Fletcher, Charles F.	-	-	1
Corbeil, Emile A.	1	-	-	Fishback, Emil E.	-	-	1
Collette, Donalt	-	1	-	Foster, Andrew	1	-	-
Catelli, Leone	2	-	-	Fernandes, Jose	1	-	-
Charette, Arthur J.	1	-	-	Fitzgerald, John	1	1	-
Clafin, Fred B.	1	-	-	Gredler, Rev. Hazel R.	1	-	-
Curran, Thomas W.	1	-	-	Garrity, John Patrick	1	-	-
Courbron, Armand	1	-	-	Gunner, Kenneth	-	-	1
Carr, Warren	-	1	-	Gardner, Sheldon	2	-	-
Capron, Franklin H.	-	-	1	Gardner, Walter	2	-	-
Collins, Kenneth	1	-	-	Ghio, Henry	1	-	-
Cabisius, Julius	1	-	-	Gonsalves, Jose	-	1	-
Clarke, Elmer W. (Dr.)	-	1	-	Gonsalves, Peter	1	-	-
Campbell, Marcus	1	-	-	Goff, Charlotte	1	-	-
Connelly, John F.	1	-	-	Gould, Douglas Jr.	-	-	1
Cosgrove, Jackie	1	-	-	Gould, Frederick	-	-	1
Carnes, William	1	-	-	Gross, John	-	-	1
Cooper, Patience	-	-	1	Gavin, Phil	1	1	-
Crowshaw, Joseph W.	1	-	-	Gove, Richard	1	-	-
Choptovy, Mike	-	1	-	Gay, Walter	1	-	-
Courbron, Jennie	1	-	-	Garrity, Donald	1	-	-
Connors, Joseph J.	1	-	-	Gorman, Napoleon	-	-	1
Davis, Irving	1	-	-	Haskell, Alonzo	1	-	-
Dahlberg, Walter	1	-	1	Harrington, Cornelius	-	-	1
Dorr, Irving L.	-	-	1	Holmes, Lester	1	-	1
Dawson, Fred	1	-	-	Hardy, Joseph G.	3	-	-
Dinssa, John	1	-	-	Henderson, Lucy	-	-	1
Downey, Rev. James A.	1	-	-	Hubbard, Genevieve	1	-	-
Dion, Paul	1	-	-	Hogan, John	-	-	1
Davis, Harold E.	1	-	-	Hatch, Percival	1	-	-
Devlin, Patrick J.	1	-	-	Honey, Alice	1	-	-
Dion, Henry J.	-	-	1	Harnden, Herbert W.	-	1	-
Doherty, Harry	-	1	-	Harnden, Herbert L.	1	-	-
Doherty, Lena	1	-	-	Hathaway, George Jr.	1	-	-
Dee, William B.	1	-	-	Haskell, Gordon	1	-	-
Foster, Drusilla	1	-	-	Holmes, Lillian	-	-	1
Fitzgerald, Joseph E.	1	-	-	Hyland, Edward	1	-	-
				Hobson, Jack	-	-	1

	M	F	S		M	F	S
Hicks, Elbert C.	1	-	-	Larsen, Albert	2	1	-
Hadley, William	2	-	-				
Holmes, Hollis R.	-	-	1	Murphy, Francis	1	-	-
Illingsworth, Alice	1	-	-	McHugh, Fred	-	-	1
				McGarry, David L.	-	-	1
Jewell, G. Bernard	1	-	-	McMurrough, John	-	-	1
Jillson, Marguerite	1	-	-	McMahon, J. R.	1	-	-
Johnson, William C.	3	-	-	McPherson, Donald	1	-	-
Jones, William B.	1	-	-	Melanson, Walter	1	-	-
Jennings, Herbert	-	1	-	Martin, Riga	1	-	-
Jones, Charles O.	-	1	-	Murphy, David	1	-	-
				MacKinley, Roy	1	-	-
Kingsley, Henry	1	-	-	Marvel, Edward	1	-	-
Knapton, Ernest	1	-	-	Madeiros, Antonio	2	-	-
Kantor, Marion	1	-	-	Marshall, Antonio	1	-	-
Kilburn, Winford	-	-	1	MacFarlane, John	2	-	-
King, Homer B.	-	1	-	Mondor, Geo. F.	-	1	-
Keough, Edward V.	1	-	-	Miner, Joseph	1	-	-
Kenniston, Arnold	1	-	-	Mahar, Adolphus	-	-	1
Kenniston, Ernest	1	-	-	McGrath, Frank	-	2	-
				Miller, Fred	1	-	-
Leonard, Everett	-	1	-	MacKinnon, Olive	1	-	-
Leonard, Irving	-	-	1	Morgan, John	1	-	-
LaPlante, Wilfred	-	-	1	Mowrey, Harold	-	-	1
Lopes, Manuel	2	-	-	MacDonald, Margaret	1	-	1
Layton, Rena	-	-	1	McCaffrey, Dr. Jerome	1	-	-
Leonard, A. Lincoln	3	-	-	Metters, Walter E.	1	-	-
Leonard, Nancy	1	-	-	Murray, Ruth	1	-	-
Lane, Dorothy	2	1	-	Maslak, William	1	-	-
Lincoln, Edith	1	-	-	Montreio, Manuel	1	-	-
Leonard, Ernest	-	-	1	Mohr, Theodore	-	1	-
Legacy, Albert	1	-	-				
LaCasse, Raymond	1	-	-	Nason, Dorothy E.	-	-	1
LaPointe, Albert	-	1	-	Nason, D. Wadsworth	1	-	-
LaMarche, Jesse J.	-	-	1	Nowell, Albert S.	1	-	-
Lincoln, Fred O.	1	-	-	Nourse, Laurence	1	-	-
Lampi, William	1	-	-	Norteman, Raymond	1	-	-
Lawrence, Helen	2	-	-				
Leroux, Herman	1	-	-	Parker, Andrew	-	-	1
LaPointe, Romeo	-	1	-	Paradis, Fred	1	-	-
LaPointe, Ernest	1	-	-	Paddock, Herbert	1	-	-
Lincoln, Charlotte	-	-	1	Philips, Fred	1	-	-
LaChapelle, William	-	-	1	Peaslee, Floyd	1	-	-
Leonard, Beatrice	1	-	-	Peaslee, E. F.	1	-	-

	M	F	S		M	F	S
Platt, Mary	-	-	1	Scanlon, B. B.	1	-	-
Patenaude, Nelson	1	-	-	Smith, Herbert	-	-	1
Paquette, Laurier	1	-	-	Sweet, Ernest	-	-	1
Paquette, George	1	-	-	Spatcher, Carlton	1	-	-
Patriquin, Doris	1	-	-	Stepaneck, Philip	1	-	-
Perry, Evelyn	1	-	-	Stanley, Maud	1	-	-
Packer, Lloyd	1	-	-	Stenfeldt, Nils	1	-	-
Parker, Thomas	1	-	-	Scoullar, Arthur	1	-	-
Pritchard, George	1	-	-	Schmid, Alexander	1	-	-
Prosky, Pauline	3	-	-	Simmons, Homer L.	1	-	-
Pike, Eugene	1	-	-	Stevens, Oscar	1	-	-
Perry, Frank-Christy	1	1	-	Shaw, George	-	-	1
Pino, Richard	-	1	-	Sprague, Alden	1	-	-
Pelletier, Albert	1	-	-	Sweet, John J.	-	-	1
				Sprague, Ernest	-	-	1
Reynolds, Clifford	1	-	-	Scott, Hugh C.	1	-	-
Ridgeway, Jesse	-	-	1	Syatz, Hermine	1	1	-
Radnor, William	2	-	-	Sullivan, William	2	-	-
Regan, Charles J.	-	-	1	Stepaneck, Philip	-	-	1
Reynolds, Morris	1	-	-	Smolar, William	1	1	-
Roberts, Edward	1	-	-	Spencer, Elwood	1	-	-
Robinson, Mae	1	-	-	Salley, Harry	1	-	-
Rubin, Joseph	1	-	-	Salley, Gilbert	1	-	-
Radnor, Andrew	-	-	1	Stenstrom, Robert	2	-	-
Roy, Neree	1	-	-	Shaw, Mildred	-	-	2
Richmond, Arthur	-	-	1	Schurman, F. C.	1	-	-
Rich, James	1	-	-	Sweet, Roland	1	-	-
Russell, Harold	-	-	1	Sweet, Cora	1	-	-
Rosequist, Alice	1	-	-				
Ribero, August	1	-	-	Thomas, Charles	Kennel		
Roy, Eva	-	-	1	Traviss, Geo. J.	1	-	-
Rondeau, Joseph	1	-	-	Thomas, James	2	-	-
				Thomas, Samuel II	1	-	-
Serras, Frank	1	-	-	Tribou, Ruth	1	-	-
Stark, Edward	1	-	-	Texeira, Frank R.	1	-	-
Schissler, Edward	-	-	1	Tucker, William	1	-	-
Shaw, John	1	-	-				
Sinclair, Mrs. J. H.	-	-	1	Ulmer, John	-	-	1
Shaw, M. Alice	-	-	1				
Scott, Charles H.	-	-	1	Valquette, Oscar	1	-	-
Sibley, Mrs. Alfred	1	-	-	Vashaw, Leonard J.	2	1	-
Simmons, John	1	-	-	Valette, John J.	1	-	-
Spencer, Burnett	1	-	-				
Souza, Frank	1	-	-	Wood, Ethel	1	-	-

	M	F	S		M	F	S
Wheeler, Helen	-	-	1	White, David	1	-	-
Whitaker, Sydney	1	-	-	White, Vernon O.	-	2	-
White, Sandra	1	-	-	Wilkinson, Stanley	-	1	-
Woodward, Harold	1	-	-	White, Shirley	1	-	-
Winter, Herbert	1	1	1				
Woodward, Albert	1	-	-	Young, Robert	-	-	1
Wilson, Harry	-	1	-	Yelle, Leo	1	-	-
Watson, Albert C.	1	-	-	Yelle, Ben	-	-	1
White, Oliver	1	-	-				
Weber, George	1	-	-	Males			260
Woodward, Carlton	1	-	-	Females			46
Waite, Burton	-	-	1	Spayed			74
Waterman, Leslie	1	-	-				
Wiswall, Norman	1	-	-	Total			380
Watson, Rose	1	-	-	Kennels			2
Woodward, Edith	1	-	3				
Wood, Ernest	-	-	1				
Warchal, Leon	1	-	-				

GEORGE E. SMITH,
Town Clerk

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

My report for the period ending December 3, 1943 is hereby submitted:

Complaints investigated	40
Dogs destroyed	20
Notices sent out	37

(Signed)

STEPHEN BENASKI
Dog Officer

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN NORTON IN 1943

Date	Name	Address
Jan. 1	Anthony Zablocka	Taunton, Mass.
	Mary Jane Fletcher	Norton, Mass.
2	John J. Piasecki	Attleboro, Mass.
	Eleanore E. Hewitt	Attleboro, Mass.
2	Thomas L. Allsop	Cumberland, R. I.
	Virginia J. Wright	Pawtucket, R. I.
7	Armand J. Brown	Norton, Mass.
	Florence M. Choptovy	Norton, Mass.
9	Albert A. Thibault	Norton, Mass.
	Virginia Desillier	Norton, Mass.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1943—Continued

	16	Harvey E. Bussiere	Attleboro, Mass.
		Louise J. Bellavance	Norton, Mass.
Feb.	13	Walter H. Barrows, Jr.	Norton, Mass.
		Mary E. Hammill	Norton, Mass.
	20	Leo R. McCann	Taunton, Mass.
		Phyllis Bonney	Norton, Mass.
Mar.	6	Alfred G. Grund	Norton, Mass.
		Margaret E. Gustafson	Attleboro, Mass.
	13	William H. Carnes	Attleboro, Mass.
		Marion L. Tribou	Norton, Mass.
	27	Joseph Camara	Norton, Mass.
		Helen Perry	Norton, Mass.
	29	Russell M. Ingalls	Taunton, Mass.
		Leonie A. Guevremont	Norton, Mass.
	13	George H. Allan	Norton, Mass.
		Bernice L. Haskell	Norton, Mass.
April	6	Thomas L. McAuley	Norton, Mass.
		Anne Palladino	Norton, Mass.
	13	Rudolph Mari	Providence, R. I.
		Marie R. Vita	Providence, R. I.
	25	Raymond Robbins	Norton, Mass.
		Dorothy G. Newcomb	Norton, Mass.
May	1	Bruce L. Jenkins	Randolph, Wisconsin
		Loraine A. Hall	Norton, Mass.
	13	Antone Monterio	Providence, R. I.
		Laura Carter	Providence, R. I.
	15	Damon A. Hope	Norton, Mass.
		Hazel V. Richmond	Norton, Mass.
	23	Charles M. See	Orange, N. J.
		Sarah C. Gavin	Norton, Mass.
	24	Willkiam H. Brennan	Pawtucket, R. I.
		Anna B. Reid	Providence, R. I.
	31	William A. Paolini	Philadelphia, Penna.
		Barbara A. Weeman	Attleboro, Mass.
June	4	John F. Abrams	Norton, Mass.
		Myrtle E. Munroe	Norton, Mass.
	6	Walter B. Winter	Norton, Mass.
		Alice E. Gwilliam	Norton, Mass.
	12	Kenneth J. LeLacheur	Hyde Park, Mass.
		Emily H. Kosteck	Randolph, Mass.
	19	Joseph A. Robitaille, Jr.	No. Attleboro, Mass.
		Louise A. Alves	Norton, Mass.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1943—Continued

	19	Leroy P. Rogers, Jr.	Hartford, Conn.
		Nancy Lawley	Hartford, Conn.
	19	Robert E. Thurber	Attleboro, Mass.
		Dorothy M. Ward	Norton, Mass.
	21	Roger W. Waite	Norton, Mass.
		Jane L. Hayes	Mansfield, Mass.
	26	Charles V. Zalesky	Norwood, Mass.
		Louise A. Forsher	Attleboro, Mass.
	30	David H. Hamm	Hartford, Conn.
		Ruth E. Edson	Greenville, R. I.
July	3	Philip T. Stepanek	Norton, Mass.
		Laura A. Fredette	Norton, Mass.
	4	Harold L. Zwicker	Bridgewater, Mass.
		Lucille A. Clapp	Norton, Mass.
	12	Belmiro T. Tarvares	Norton, Mass.
		Adelina Galvin	Norton, Mass.
	13	Joseph Jacobs Jr.	Providence, R. I.
		Laura E. Pressey	Providence, R. I.
	21	Anthony T. Pires	North Easton, Mass.
		Bemvinda M. Fernandes	Norton, Mass.
	26	Gordon C. Haskell	Norton, Mass.
		Mildred H. Austin	Norton, Mass.
Aug.	7	Francis T. Considine	Portsmouth, R. I.
		Stella Tokarz	Washington, D. C.
	11	William A. Alston	Macon, No. Carolina
		Pearl Hadley	Norton, Mass.
	31	Levi H. Heredeen	Norton, Mass.
		Christine McKinney	Dorchester, Mass.
Sept.	4	John J. Hallihan	Norton, Mass.
		Mildred C. Fitzsimmons	Taunton, Mass.
	5	Esau Cooper	Norton, Mass.
		Florence L. Jones	Norton, Mass.
Oct.	7	Anthony J. Medeiros	Taunton, Mass.
		Georgina P. Texeira	Norton, Mass.
	12	Alec Rich	Norton, Mass.
		Frances Puliafico	Barre Plain, Mass.
	14	Raymond L. Waterman	Norton, Mass.
		Evelyn G. Halliley	Attleboro, Mass.
	28	Edward G. Kramer	Norton, Mass.
		Grace V. Barrett	Norton, Mass.
	31	Wallace L. Reynolds Jr.	Norton, Mass.
		Marguerite A. Crandall	Pawtucket, R. I.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1943—Continued

Nov.	4	Stewart W. Burt	Westport, Mass.
		Anne B. Roberts	Norton, Mass.
	5	Hugh S. Wagner	Milwaukee, Wisconsin
		Judith C. Biggers	Birmingham, Michigan
	6	Raymond C. Marley	Pawtucket, R. I.
		Margaret M. Coyle	Pawtucket, R. I.
	20	Gilbert E. Salley	Norton, Mass.
		Blanche J. Murray	Norton, Mass.
Dec.	18	Frederick F. Brasier	Norton, Mass.
		Jeannette L. Roy	Attleboro, Mass.
	20	Francis H. Wentworth	Providence, R. I.
		Alice M. Winman	Providence, R. I.

GEORGE E. SMITH, Town Clerk

DEATHS RECORDED IN NORTON IN 1943

Date	Name	Y	M	D
Jan.	5 Hattie P. (King) Hopkins	60	6	11
	14 John J. Hallihan	85	—	—
	22 Bridget Theresa Hope	67	—	—
	23 Stillborn	—	—	—
	26 Margaret J. Lydon	71	—	—
Feb.	5 Marjorie Dunbar Farquhar	86	11	19
	11 George E. Sharples	86	11	—
	13 Charles E. O'Brien	85	5	19
Mar.	1 Delphine Corbeil	78	—	—
	5 Hattie L. Daggett	82	—	3
	14 John Murphy	83	—	—
	25 Charles Levi Kenniston	69	11	3
April	5 Clarence N. Davis	67	2	5
	15 Arthur Pepper Gorman	70	6	27
	16 Raymond G. Manchester	72	1	8
	19 Martha Fay Short	95	5	5
May	11 Sarah Marie Waldron	71	7	28
	14 Benjamin M. Lincoln 2nd	7	11	—
	20 George J. Courbron	4	7	—
	23 George F. Murray	55	—	—
	26 Sarah A. White	73	—	—
June	1 Elizabeth C. Curtis	62	2	1
	1 Helen Hecox Reinhard	69	10	—
	23 Mary Rose Teixeira	17	—	—

DEATHS RECORDED IN 1943—Continued

Date	Name	Y	M	D
July 25	William Dorothy	71	11	9
Aug. 8	Alfred Lussier	68	3	—
17	Stillborn	—	—	—
Sept. 2	Almeria F. Mettey	60	1	9
9	Catherine (Craig) Parker	74	9	9
15	Nellie M. Randall	65	11	15
Oct. 10	Evelyn E. Britton	68	—	3
Nov. 2	Agnes H. Dodd	54	—	—
11	Daniel Elwin Jennings	—	7	10
12	Lillian Viola Jones	72	7	16
14	Kenneth F. Allen	19	4	16
20	Mary Teixeira	53	—	—
22	Clara Bella Keough	61	3	—
26	Jesse Ridgway	62	7	29
Dec. 2	Amanda M. Crowshaw	87	11	28
7	Eric Schutauuff	41	3	5
24	Mabel L. Leonard	73	4	23
24	Stillborn	—	—	—
24	Jeannette A. Drew	19	—	15
29	Maria S. Amaral	60	6	28
31	Charles A. Jenks	69	11	16

GEORGE E. SMITH, Town Clerk

BIRTHS RECORDED IN NORTON FOR 1943

Date	Name of Child	Sex	Name of Parents
Jan. 7	Carol Ann Riendeau	F	Daniel & Olive (Little) Riendeau
16	James Edward Watson	M	James & Esther (Lincoln) Watson
20	Joseph Frank Allen Jr.	M	Joseph & Florence (Dorothy) Allen
23	Stillborn	M	—
31	Aileen Tindra Angelo	F	Vincent & Annie (Pino) Angelo
Feb. 2	Patricia Ann Murray	F	George & Blanche (Lussier) Murray
6	Salley Jane Drew	F	Kenneth & Jeannette (Pidgeon) Drew
16	Pamala Shaw Perry	F	Francis & Mildred (Shaw) Perry
17	Martha O'Leary	F	James & Martha (Whitaker) O'Leary
22	Paulette Evelyn Barboza	F	Charles Isabelle (Quintal) Barboza
23	Elizabeth Marion White	F	David & Ruth (Ring) White
25	Grace Ann Courchine	F	Oscar & Harriet (Dingle) Courchine

Date	Name of Child	Sex	Name of Parents
Mar. 10	David Elbert Austin	M	Holcomb & Ethilind (Elbert) Austin
15	Jo-Ann Cabral	F	Joseph & Lucia (Allard) Cabral
21	Ronald James Jacobs	M	George & Arline (Jess) Jacobs
27	Anita Lee Teixeira	F	Jose & Maria (Camara) Teixeira
April 1	Daniel Elwin Jennings	M	Herbert & Mariam (Potter) Jennings
8	Judith Frances Smith	F	Edward & Bertha (Courchine) Smith
12	John James Bartley	M	John & Rita (Charron) Bartley
16	Dominga Belmira Tavares	F	Belmiro & Adeline (Galvine) Tavares
23	Mary Elizabeth Flaherty	F	Charles & Marion (King) Flaherty
24	Margaret Mary McCaffrey	F	Jerome & Alice (Budelman) McCaffrey
27	John Mansfield Freeman	M	Arthur & Myra (Helpard) Freeman
May 1	Sandra Lee Brown	F	Joseph & Bernice (Bellavance) Brown
17	Jane Lee Rand	F	Hollis & Catherine (Little) Rand
19	Paul Judson Bailey	M	Judson & Elsie (Prendgarst) Bailey
25	Diana Jardin	F	Augusto & Maria (Andrade) Jardin
27	Elizabeth Agnes Eddleston	F	Robert & Ruby (Scott) Eddleston
28	David Neal Leonard	M	Irving & Florence (Hicks) Leonard
June 1	Nancy Lee Camara	F	Americo & Clara (Ramalho) Camara
3	Gloria Jean Langton	F	Lester & Leah (Bouchard) Langton
21	Janice Marie Paille	F	Armand & Doris (Bellavance) Paille
26	Beatrice Gomes Rei	F	Anthony & Eva (Orfad) Rei
28	Bruce Conway Angus	M	Cecil & Louise (Haskell) Angus
July 5	Philip Everett Horton	M	Leon & Delia (Dumont) Horton
10	Joseph John Connors	M	Joseph & Carolinae (Shea) Connors
14	James Thomas Askew	M	Richard & Hazel (Johnson) Askew
16	Pauline Marie Clair Breault	F	Raymond & Noella (Dulude) Breault
19	Roberta Irene Edwards	F	Joseph & Helen (Gans) Edwards
29	Mary Tomase	F	Rosario & Mary (Ricco) Tomase
29	Miriam Joyce Dion	F	Victor & Marjory (Henning) Dion
Aug. 3	William Corcoran LeClair	M	Henry & Jane (Corcoran) LeClaire
14	Douglas Leland Foster	M	Alton & M. Drusilla (Ring) Foster
17	Patricia Ann Johnson	F	Harry & Ada (Mowatt) Johnson
17	Stillborn	F	_____
18	Stephen Brooks Anderson	M	Eimar & Doris (Brooks) Anderson
22	Louise Ann Champagne	F	Rosario & Germaine (Desbiens) Champagne
26	Russell Elmer Hagstrom	M	Elmer & Marjorie (Becker) Hagstrom
Sept. 11	David Vincent Schriever	M	Herbert & Helen (Mondor) Schriever
24	Rhoda Virginia Reinhard	M	Lawrence & Mildred (Canham) Reinhard
27	William Frederick Swan	M	Frederick & Veronica (Harper) Swan
Oct. 2	Clifford Chester Woodward	M	John & Alice (Kelly) Woodward
4	Peter James McGarry	M	Edward & Susan (Lynch) McGarry
5	Pauline Irene Tondreault	F	Emile & Irene (Guilmette) Tondreault
6	Michael Dennis Gay	M	Walter & Rose (Bellavance) Gay
15	Natalie Elen Barnett	F	Charles & Dorothy (Valentine) Barnett

Date	Name of Child	Sex	Name of Parents
Nov. 1	Antonio Bragaul	M	Antonio & Delinda (Delgado) Bragaul
6	Michael Demers Gay	M	Walter & Rose (Bellavance) Gay
13	Harold Kenneth Packer	M	John & Marion (Seymour) Packer
14	Martha Ann Reilly	F	George & Amelia (Crowshaw) Reilly
20	Anne Parks Reynolds	F	Clifford & Eleanor (Parks) Reynolds
28	Paul Montgomery Miner	M	Carl & Viola (Vrooman) Miner
28	Katherine Robbins	F	Henry & Mary (Freeman) Robbins
Dec. 11	Sandra Lee Davis	F	Carleton & Alberta (Clifford) Davis
12	Geoffrey Lloyd Tucker	M	George & Aileen (Dee) Tucker
12	Florence Gean Dion	F	Paul & Florence (Lavigne) Dion
15	Joyce Ann Marshall	F	Antonio & Clair (Gross) Marshall
15	Laurence William Carnes	M	William & Marion (Tribou) Carnes
17	Ronald Silvia	M	Leonard & Hilda (Tacheria) Silvia
24	Stillborn	M	_____
26	Richard Allen Stoddard	M	Norman & Florence (White) Stoddard

REPORT OF REFORESTATION COMMITTEE

March 1, 1943

TOWN FORESTS:

Two new town forests were established this year, Ashland with 507 acres and Braintree with 120 acres. Six old forests including Mansfield were enlarged by 627 acres so that the grand total acreage in town forests in the State is 38,260 acres. The number of town forests in Massachusetts is now 126.

WOOD FUEL:

A movement has been operating during the past year to encourage obtaining wood to supplement the supply of oil and coal used as fuel. The normal amount has been greatly increased, even though practically no experienced choppers are available. Cutting crews have been organized and every able-bodied man who can do so, is urged to cut his own wood as a patriotic service. The special forest advisory committee of the State is considering the problem of regulating cutting on private woodlands in order to protect the young growth and timber not yet sufficiently mature for harvesting. During the past two years lumber-production has been increased 25 to 30 percent over pre-war years, and heavy inroads have been made in our dwindling timber supply to meet war demands. Reforestation is now a more vital project than ever.

DUTCH ELM DISEASE:

Five diseased trees have been discovered in the western part of the State in the towns of Alford, Egremont, Great Barrington and Westfield. There have been meetings of tree wardens in the Berkshires, and of State authorities to formulate a defense program. The time has come when we in Massachusetts must see that these isolated infections are stamped out, and the disease held in check. The State College and the department of Agriculture have already conferred with Federal authorities.

There are infected acres in Connecticut near the Rhode Island-Massachusetts corner and with the carrier beetle abundant in eastern Massachusetts, there is imminent danger of the disease spreading into our own immediate vicinity. As Federal and State work is bound to be reduced for the duration, individual owners of elm trees should be more than ever watchful during the coming season.

NORTON TOWN FOREST:

During the past year, the brush and trash left when clearing the tract on Plain Street was burned. The road-way was cleared on the north side of the town farm, so that the water in the small pond at the extreme northern border could be reached in case of fire. Birches and other trash wood was cut to clear the growth of pines in this section. Only a part of the work was completed because of the difficulty of finding labor during the last part of the year. Of the appropriation of \$150, the following expenditures have been made:

Burning Trash at Plain Street	\$30.00
Cutting fire-lines and releasing pines	80.00
Total	\$110.00

This leaves a balance of \$40.00

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Since there is a large amount of clearing, cutting and burning of trash to be done on all the town forest tracts as advised by the District Forester, the Committee recommends that the appropriation for the coming year be spent in continuing this phase of the work. An attempt will be made by the Committee to get the work under way earlier in the year to avoid the necessity in the fall of leaving unfinished some of the projects because of labor shortage.

TOWN FARM REPAIRS:

No extensive repairs at the Town Farm Buildings have been made and only twelve dollars has been expended. This leaves an unexpended balance of \$229.30.

Unexpended balance 1941		\$241 .30
Labor Mr. Doherty	\$6.00	
“ Mr. Lincoln	6.00	12 .00
	Balance	\$229 .30

The Committee recommends the following repairs:

1. New Bulk-head
2. Repairs to steps
3. Repairs to ceilings and walls and some general inside repairs.
4. Painting the house on the outside, and other buildings if appropriation allows.

RECEIPTS:

House rent in cash and to be collected:

Mr. Lincoln	\$120 .00
Mr. Watson	180 .00
Land Rent	
House in the Pines	25 .00

\$325 .00

Expenditures	12 .00
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\$313 .00

Cash profit
Rental in storage value to Town
at \$10. per month

120 .00

Total Profit \$443 .00

Respectfully submitted,

GERTRUDE C. MILLIKEN
Mrs. J. K. Milliken

Chairman, Reforestation Committee

STORED IN BARN, 1942-1943

1 Road Grader
1 Street Sweeper
1 Water Cart
1 Snowplow
3 or 4 Gravel Screens
1 Road hone
Arsenate of lead—tramp house
Snow fence in the summer
Small articles

THE NORTON DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION TWENTY THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

Herein is submitted a summary of our Services for the past 12 months.

This year the local physicians have adopted and endorsed standing orders which the nurse may use on a first visit if she is unable to contact the doctor. However, before the second visit is made the nurse must receive additional orders from the patient's physician.

Our aims for the community are twofold. First we help people to get well by giving bedside care, treatments, dressings and massage. Secondly we help them to stay well through our free instructive health services. These include antepartum visits to the expectant mother with helpful advice; postpartum and newborn visits for assistance in carrying out the doctor's orders and helping to arrange a convenient schedule for the family; visits to infants over one month old to note their progress; to the pre-school group of children, to assist the mothers in establishing good health habits for the child; to the school children for correction of defects, and lastly to adults for instruction in general hygiene.

Apart from my regular activities I have endeavored to keep abreast of the times and changing conditions by taking advantage of a 30 hr. refresher course on Public Health Nursing held in Taunton and sponsored by the Massachusetts Department of Health. I also attended several other health lectures and feel that these not only are a benefit to myself but to those whom I serve.

All public health nursing is based on the idea of the family as a unit. We not only serve the sick member but are on the alert to notice any other conditions which might be aided either by reference to another agency, or by the assistance we might render directly.

Our work this year has carried us nearly 8000 miles, proving the amount of travelling necessary to service our community.

Listed below are the statistics of nursing visits:

Total number of visits made during the year	1,024
Non-Communicable	640
Crippled children Service	3
Tuberculosis	25
Antepartum	10
Delivery	3

Postpartum	47
Newborn	61
Over one month	38
Pre-school	48
School	88
Adult	10
Unclassified	13

Policy holders of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. and the John Hancock Life Insurance Co. whose policies meet with specific requirements are eligible for nursing service without charge when it is requested by the doctor.

Our fee is 75 cents per visit. However, if the economic status of our patients are such that they are unable to pay the full amount, anything they can afford is satisfactory. In other words we wish everyone in Norton to receive our services when the doctor deems it necessary.

This year a telephone has been installed in our office at the center school. The number is Norton 185. The nurse may be contacted between 8:30 to 9 in the morning or otherwise a message may be left between 12 to 1 on school days. The nurses' home telephone number is Mansfield 119-W-1, home address Richardson Ave., Mailing address Attleboro R. D. No. 3.

In closing I wish to thank the board members for their excellent guidance during my first year in Norton. Also the local physicians and the town agencies for their friendly co-operation. Thanks to Wheaton College Y. W. C. A. and to the churches for their generous contributions toward the Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets, and to all others who have in any way aided our organization, my grateful appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

MILDRED PAULDING, R. N.
Norton District Nurse

REPORT OF THE TREASURER NORTON DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1943

Receipts

Balance on hand January 1, 1943	\$1,444.63
Received during year:	
Nurse's fees	\$593.65
Town of Norton for School Nurse	600.00
(\$300 still due)	

John Hancock Life Insurance Co.—fees	35.00	
Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.—fees	78.75	
Membership Drive, 1943	1,074.50	
Membership Fee, 1942	1.00	
Christmas Baskets, 1942		
Whatsoever Club	\$5.00	
Wheaton Y. W. C. A.	20.00	25.00
Refunds:		
Supplies	\$1.20	
Christmas Baskets, 1942	1.08	
Telephone toll calls—nurse	.20	2.48
Bristol County Medical Examinations		5.00
Total Receipts from all sources		\$2,415.38
		<u>\$3,860.01</u>

Disbursements

Paid during year:

Salary of nurse	\$1,368.66	
Substitute nurse	124.00	
Victory and Withholding taxes	79.55	
Automobile expense	215.59	
Garage rent	44.00	
Office and Organization expenses	38.76	
Nurse's supplies	14.34	
Telephone	31.58	
Membership Drive:		
Printing tickets	\$5.00	
U. S. War Savings Bond—prize	37.50	42.50
Total Disbursements		\$1,958.98
Balance on hand January 1, 1944		\$1,901.03
		<u>\$3,860.01</u>
Balance in Milk Fund		\$16.24

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN J. CAFFREY,

Treasurer

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Fernandes, Vangie
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Holmes, Mrs. Edgar
Holmes, Ensign Esther
Holmes, Mrs. L. C.
Holmes, Lewis
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Honey, W.
Horsfield, Mrs. Elsie
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Jennings, Henrietta C.
Jennings, Louise
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Knapton, Mrs. E. J.

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L'Amoureux, Mrs. Louis
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Lampron, Edward
Lane, Alice
Lane, Eulas
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Leonard, Ernest
Leonard, Mrs. Irving
Leonard, Mrs. Luke
Leonard, Virgil H.
Leroux, A.
Leroux, H.
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Lincoln, Mrs. W. R.
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Lynn, Caro

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MacLeod, C. R.
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Mahoney, William
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Marshall, Mrs. Ernest R.
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McCaffrey, Pete
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McGarry, F.
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McMahon, Rhea
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Mowry, Harold
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Murphy, David
Murphy, Dorothy
Murphy, Edith
Murphy, Frank
Murphy, Hazel

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Nelson, Mary A.
Nelson, Mrs. F.
Nesbit, George A.

Newcomb, Clara
Newcomb, Mrs. J.
Newcomb, James
Newcomb, John E.
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Newton, W.
Northrup, L. H.
Nourse, Mrs. L. G.
Nourse, L. G.

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O'Brien, Mrs. Daniel
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O'Leary, Mrs. J. C.
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Paquette, Roland
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Park, Mrs. J. E.
Parker, Andrew
Parker, Mrs. Lillian
Partridge, G. W.
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Pierce, C. K.
Pike, Ruth
Pino, Althea
Pino, Charles
Pino, Dómenick
Pino, Frank
Pino, Rosario
Poudrier, F. J.
Pratt, Hattie L.

Quebman, John H.
Quebman, Mrs. John H.

Radnor, A.
Ramseyer, Frank W.
Ramseyer, Linda C. M.
Rand, Hollis G.
Rand, Mrs. Hollis G.
Randall, Charles S.
Randall, Mrs. Charles S.
Randall, Walter
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Regan, Mrs. Charles J.
Rei, Antonio G.
Rei, Augusta
Rei, Mary Gomes
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Reynolds, Mrs. C. E.
Reynolds, Mrs. Morris
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Richards, Mrs. H. A.
Richards, Patricia
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Richmond, M.
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Riendeau, Mrs. Daniel, Jr.

Riendeau, Daniel, Sr.
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Robbins, Mrs. A.
Robbins, Mrs. Dorothy
Robbins, H. W.
Robbins, Mrs. John
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Roberts, Ed. T.
Roberts, Lena
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Salley, Ted
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Sawyer, Arthur E.
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Schissler, Edw. H.
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Schurman, Jennie
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Scott, Mrs. Hugh
Scott, John B.
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Sears, John
Seel, Arthur
Shaw, G.
Shaw, Henry
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Shaw, M. Alice
Shaw, Mrs. Paul

Shipley, W.
Sibley, Mrs. Abbie
Silvia, Leonard
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Sinclair, John C.
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Spatcher, Lora
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Teixeira, Evangeline

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Texeira, Hilda
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Thomase, Charles
Thornton, Mrs. Fred
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Todd, Mrs. Malcolm
Traviss, G. J.
Traviss, Mrs. G. J.
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Twohig, John

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Valentine, Mrs. Arthur
Valentine, Minnie
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 Winter, George
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 Winter, Thelma
 Wiswall, Mrs. Edith
 Witherell, Leonard
 Wood, Arthur
 Wood, Mrs. Arthur
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Again and for the third time the Library ends the old year and begins the new under the emergency conditions rising from war: notably, a shortage of fuel, a shortage of labor, a shortage of gasoline for patrons, and some difficulties in obtaining supplies. Again the fuel economy forces us to cut the hours of the Library, and to close off the Reference Room during the coldest months. Until milder weather the Library will be open only on Wednesdays and Saturdays. The supplies of the Norton Civilian Defense Organization are still stored in a room of the Library. Books have advanced a little in price, are sometimes hard to get, and are often made of more flimsy materials than in normal times.

The Book Committee in collaboration with the Librarians undertook this summer to make an inventory of the books on the main floor of the Library, and to renew the card catalogue of titles which was becoming badly crowded in a single cabinet. The Board empowered them to procure what was needed in the way of supplies, and a second 15-drawer cabinet was added. All volumes on the main floor were handled and inspected. All cards for which the books were found were typed and replaced, to a total of more than 12,000 cards, representing about 5,000 volumes apart from those in the Reference Room. Books stored on the second floor have not been re-catalogued. In the process of this work almost 200 volumes were discarded, including worn-out fiction and juveniles, and books whose contents were outdated, such as old science texts. These volumes were placed on 'open shelf' for the patrons of the Library to take if they wished—as they did. In the course of 1943, 396 volumes, or an average of 33 a month, were added to the shelves: fiction, 147; general reading of all classes, 104; and books for boys and girls of all ages, 145. Subscription prices of periodicals have advanced sharply, but through the aid of friends we have been

able to offer the usual list of magazines. Mr. Stanley Wilkinson, Mrs. Florence Williams, Dr. Henrietta Jennings and Mrs. Hattie Pratt have contributed periodicals. The monthly book-lists have again, as last year, been mimeographed for the community in the Commercial Department of the High School. The Library is opened at special hours to accomodate Norton students, and is collaborating with the schools in promoting the State Certificate Reading Plan. We were very pleased to have, during the autumn, a visit from Miss Catherine M. Yerxa, General Secretary of the State Division of Public Libraries, and we hope she will come again. We have Mr. Laurence G. Nourse to thank for his services as auditor.

CARO LYNN, President

TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1, 1944

Receipts

Cash on hand January 1, 1943	\$ 148.89
From Wheaton College	200.00
Norton Savings and Loan Association, Interest	84.00
Town of Norton, Appropriation	1,000.00
Interest on Invested Funds	178.10
On account of principal U. S. Bond and Mortgage	68.00
Stanley Wilkinson, Cash gift for Magazines	10.00
Sale of book, 'Winter Harbor' (duplicate)	1.75
Mrs. Arnold Jenkins, Cash gift for Children's Books	5.00
Fines from Librarian	5.88

\$1,701.62

Expenditures

Miss Gertrude Mott, Librarian	325.00
Miss Doris Durgin, Assistant Librarian	225.00
H. M. Leonard and sundry persons, Janitor Services	76.27
Southern Massachusetts Oil Corp., Oil and Burner Service	108.45
Library Book House, Books	466.40
Norton Power & Electric Co., Light and Bulbs	35.17
B. C. Trust Co., Box-rent and Service charges	11.37
B. F. Fales, Cleaning chimney	5.00
Leo Yelle, Draining and shutting off water	2.00
Automobile Insurance Co., War Damage Policy	9.00
Grant's, Inc., Stamp	.78
Miss Helen Caffrey, 200 Postals	2.00

Forrest Press, Inc., Decimal Classification	12.20
Robello Magazine Subscription Agency, Magazines	53.25
Miss Gertrude Mott, Petty cash	4.00
Transferred to permanent funds: Liquidating	
Mortgage and Dividend. U. S. Bond and Mortgage	85.00
Gaylord Brothers, Supplies	4.45
J. C. Pratt, Supplies	2.66
V. W. Mosher, Sharpening of lawn mower	1.50
Rev. H. R. Gredler, Supplies	1.00
Pierce Hardware, Supplies	1.40
Balance on hand December 31, 1943	269.72
	\$1,701.62

Note:

The expense of the inventory and renewal of the card catalogue was taken from the accumulated interest of permanent funds, and amounted to \$157.36. Of this amount, equipment and supplies accounted for \$117.61, and compensation for extra labor of the Librarians and William Fraser, \$39.75. A generous amount of work and hours contributed to this project by Miss Lynn and her assistants, is greatly appreciated by the Directors.

(Signed) VARNEY W. MOSHER, Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

The following is the circulation of books by classes for the year: Fiction, 7318; General, 400; Philosophy, 15; Religion, 62; Science, 54; Useful Arts, 126; Fine Arts, 48; Literature, 173; History, 229; Biography, 236; total, non-fiction, 1353; total, 8671.

Because of the War Time Shortages the Library hours have had to be altered to some extent. On Mondays through the coldest weather the library is not open at all, and when it re-opens the hours are from three to five, instead of the evening hours. On Wednesdays while there are no Monday hours the Library is open from eleven thirty to five, and from seven to eight, and on Saturday it is open from three to five and seven to nine.

The following magazines will be found on the Magazine Table: The American, American Home, Atlantic, Country Gentleman, Cosmopolitan, Fortune (a gift), Good Housekeeping, Harper's Horticulture, Illustrated London News, Ladies' Home Journal, Life (a gift), Newsweek (a gift), Parents, Popular Mechanics, Readers' Digest, Saturday Evening Post, Saturday Review of Literature (a gift), and Woman's Home Companion.

Respectfully submitted,

GERTRUDE MOTT, Librarian

MILK INSPECTOR'S REPORT FOR 1943

Number of Milk Licenses issued	23
Number of Oleomargarine Licenses issued	2
Milk Dealer's Permits issued	2
Milk Producer's Permits issued	7

The figures stated below were presented as estimates to the Milk Inspector. Most farmers were reluctant to answer, suggesting that they could not recall the figures given to the Tax Assessors and hence would not vouch for their accuracy since the Assessors had the accurate figures.

Number of cows	267
Number of bulls	9
Number of heifers	27
Quantity of milk produced daily in Norton	2605 qts.

LEWIS S. RUBIN, Inspector

REPORT OF THE NORTON COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

Nineteen hundred and forty three (1943) has been a peculiar year for our Committee. The first impulse is to feel like a hunter, out all day and not a shot, or a person with fire insurance and no fire.

Our Committee is a highly specialized organization, as ready as fire or police squads, to meet the impact of modern war on civilian life.

Fortunately war has not touched our Commonwealth in that direct way. So we are turning our attention and readiness, to meet the indirect affects of war.

Since Pearl Harbor we have lost more by death and injury. In our civilian war effort, than at the front.

Therefor our Committee is standing by, to help in any way it can.

We take this opportunity to thank all our personnel and all others who have cooperated with us.

LEWIS S. RUBIN,
Acting Chairman.

ANNUAL REPORT OF NORTON FIRE DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR 1943

Receipts	
January 1, 1943—Cash on Hand	\$ 9.36
December, 1943	
Received a/c District Taxes from G. E. Smith, Collector	
For Year 1940	\$.26
For Year 1941	204.73
For Year 1942	441.01
For Year 1943	3,086.01
Total Receipts	\$3,741.37

Paid Out	
To G. E. Smith, Treasurer	
Balance due on Rental March 1, 1943	\$ 50.00
Hydrant Rental March 1, 1943 to September 1, 1943	1,867.50
Part Payment of Rental September 1, 1943 to March 1, 1944	1,800.00
Cash on Hand January 1, 1944	23.87
Total	\$3,741.37

W. C. S. WOOD, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE FIRE ENGINEERS

The Fire Engineers herewith respectfully submit their fourteenth annual report.

The fire department responded to 123 calls during 1943. Our ladder truck was rebuilt, and is now a dependable, powerful, and safer unit. Two trussed ladders replace two solid side ladders. The trussed ladders are much stronger, yet lighter.

We have maintained our pumping engines, and their hose in good condition.

A trailer pump and other fire fighting equipment has been loaned us by O.C.D. We expect more of this equipment and are planning to put it to most efficient use.

The resuscitator is on call at all times. We advise an immediate call in case of drowning, gas poisoning, asthma, or any case of asphyxia. Call Attleboro 45 or Norton telephone operator and call at once.

We have tried to replace all volunteer firemen who are in military service with other men. We wish to thank the Kilburn Glass Co., Sweet Paper Box Co., Sprague & Reynolds, Lane Bros. Laundry, Chartley Plating Co., and Talbot Wool Combing Co. for permitting firemen in their employ to respond to fire alarms during daytime working hours.

More men are needed for daytime fires, and volunteers will be appreciated.

May we call your attention to the danger of wire mesh incinerators, or incinerators without covers. These are very dangerous and should never be used. Permits are necessary for incinerators or any open air fire at all times.

Open air fires should never be started on dry, windy days. Days of high wind and temperature together with low humidity are really explosive in their danger. Never light an open air fire on such a day.

We make the following recommendations in case of fire. First: Call Attleboro 45 on telephone or call Norton telephone operator.

Second: Give exact location and kind of fire. This is very important.

Third: Call the Fire Department to all fires when first discovered. Regardless of size or kind.

The Highway, Police, school, water depts. and the Norton telephone operators have been most helpful and co-operative at all times. We thank them sincerely.

Volunteer and auxiliary firemen have done fine loyal work for their town and we extend to them our sincere thanks.

In conclusion may we express our deep appreciation for the fine support given our board, and fire department.

Respectfully submitted,
 HAROLD L. WETHERELL,
 Chief of Fire Department

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

	1942	1943
Total value of Real Estate	\$2,175,875.00	\$2,204,400.00
Total value of Personal Estate	176,550.00	193,950.00
Total appropriations to be raised by taxation		125,486.86
Appropriations voted to be taken from available funds		5,840.85
State Tax		1,950.00
State Parks and Reservations		76.98
State Assessment on Welfare		16.00

County Tax	3,422.48
Tuberculosis Hospital assessment	2,158.33
Overlay of current year	3,024.96

Gross amount to be raised	\$141,976.46
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Estimated receipts and available funds	56,459.46
Available funds voted to reduce the tax rate	13,840.85
Net amount raised on Polls and Property	71,676.15

Total	\$141,976.46
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Number of Polls assessed (including all over 70 years)	1,062
Horses assessed	50
Cows assessed	384
Sheep assessed	3
Other neat cattle assessed	52
Swine assessed	69
Fowl assessed	19,830
All other animals assessed	87
Number of dwelling houses assessed	925
Rate per \$1,000.00	\$29.00

Excise Tax

Number of automobiles assessed	1,133
Assessed value	\$156,770.00
Total excise tax	5,368.05
State rate per \$1,000.00	36.33

Norton Fire District

Assessed value of Real Estate	\$1,329,800.00
Assessed value of Personal Estate	124,550.00
Rate per \$1,000.00	2.60

Respectfully submitted, LEONARD A. WITHERELL
 WILLIAM E. FALES
 PERCY L. HINDS

Board of Assessors

TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS 1943

During the year 1943 we installed eight new services. This small number was due to the restrictions on building.

In the past years we have been unable to keep the Pumping Station above the freezing point during the cold weather and in 1942 a number of instruments were frozen causing considerable

expense, therefore, in 1943 we had installed a false insulated ceiling and this has kept the temperature above freezing.

We have asked for the same amount of money to run the Department as last year but if restrictions on materials should be lifted we might need more for installations and new materials.

The Department pumped 54,460,000 gallons of water in the year 1935 and this amount has steadily increased until in 1943 there were 89,617,000 gallons pumped. This means that over 64 percent more water was pumped in 1943 than in the year 1935.

The following is a report of the operating expenses for the year:

Expenses of maintaining the Department	\$8,946 .17
Payment on Water Loan Principle	4,000 .00
Interest on Water Loan	1,742 .50
Total costs	\$14,238 .67
Total commitments for the year 1943	\$19,335 .49

The Commissioners have had a well concern, at no expense to the Town, test the amount of water that could be pumped from the present location and they could not guarantee but very little more water than we are now pumping, we therefore, feel that a new supply and a new wall should be obtained from another source.

The Commissioners agreed to reduce the water rates for fixture services from a maximum annual rate per year of \$24.00 to \$18.00 for a single family and the rates approved are as follows:

First Faucet	\$9.00
First Lavatory	1.00
First Bath Tub	3.00
First Water Closet	3.00
Hand Hose	3.00
Set of Laundry Tubs	3.00
Additional Faucets (Each)	1.00
Maximum yearly charge per family	\$18.00

The Commissioners welcome any suggestions that may improve the service or cut the cost without impairing the system.

Respectfully submitted,

BERTRAM F. FALES
LEONARD A. WITHERELL
CARLETON H. DRAPER

Water Commissioners

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

The Board of Public Welfare of the Town of Norton herewith submit the following report:

GENERAL RELIEF

During the year of 1943 there were twenty-one (21) cases aided, representing forty-one (41) persons, eighteen (18) cases being the largest number of cases aided in any one month.

Fourteen (14) cases aided were Norton settled cases.

Five (5) cases aided were unsettled (State) cases.

Two (2) cases aided were cases with settlement in other city or town.

One (1) case aided is under Division of Child Guardianship.

One (1) case aided is in State Infirmary.

There were five (5) cases that received hospitalization and one Rest Home case.

All general relief cases are visited frequently and plans for treatment made.

Due to employment conditions we have not had many new applications, except in cases of illness and result of behavior and Court action.

In January 1943 we aided thirteen (13) cases, representing thirteen (13) persons, total expense for January 1943 being \$199.41. In December 1943 we aided eight (8) cases, representing fifteen (15) persons, total expense for December 1943 being \$184.74.

The eight cases now being aided are tabulated below with reasons for eligibility:

Three (3) cases—physically unfit for work.

One (1) case—in age group for Old Age Assistance, ineligible—not a citizen of U.S.A.—also physically unfit for work.

One (1) case—child being boarded under Division of Child Guardianship.

One (1) case—child being boarded in private family, whereabouts of parents unknown.

One (1) case—board and care State Infirmary.

One (1) case—family being aided, parent in Institution.

The following tabulation will give the number of cases aided each month:

	Cases	Persons
January	13	13
February	16	19
March	18	25
April	12	12
May	11	11
June	12	18
July	10	16
August	10	10
September	9	9
October	8	8
November	7	7
December	8	15

Of the twenty-one (21) cases aided during the year, thirteen (13) cases were closed. The following tabulation will give the number of cases closed and reasons for closing:

Two (2)—Moved to other city or town.

One (1)—Deceased.

Five (5)—Secured private employment.

Two (2)—To other Institution.

One (1)—Relative able to support.

One (1)—Referred to Soldier's Relief.

One (1)—Transferred to Aid to Dependent Children.

The bills for the Welfare Department to the State and to other Cities and Towns were sent on July 19 and December 31st, 1943 for the amount of \$542.69.

We do not anticipate any unusual increase in General Relief for 1944, however, illness and hospitalization cannot be foreseen, and must be taken care of when the need arises.

The total expenditure for Welfare for 1943 was \$3,295.17. Out of this amount the sum of \$78.00 was paid to other cities and towns for cases with settlement in Norton. The sum of \$301.21 was paid out for State cases. The sum of \$238.74 was paid out for outside city and town cases, living in Norton.

Summary of Welfare Costs for Four Year Period

	1940	1941	1942	1943
Expenditures	\$8,956.81	\$5,814.12	\$4,839.30	\$3,295.17
Receipts	682.47	847.43	961.02	1,066.78
Actual Costs— Welfare	\$8,274.34	\$4,966.69	\$3,878.28	\$2,228.39

Aid to Dependent Children

During the year 1943 there were seven (7) Aid to Dependent Children cases aided, representing twenty-eight (28) children.

There have been four (4) cases closed for the following reasons: Private employment 3; sufficient income 1.

In January 1943 we aided five (5) cases, representing thirteen (13) children, total pay-roll for the month of January being \$221.50. In December 1943 we aided four (4) cases, representing eighteen (18) children, total pay-roll for December 1943 being \$156.00.

There are no Aid to Dependent Children applications pending and we do not anticipate any unusual increase in case-load for the year 1944.

The following tabulation will give the number of cases aided each month and number of children represented.

	Cases	Children
January	5	13
February	5	13
March	5	13
April	5	13
May	4	12
June	5	18
July	5	18
August	3	11
September	3	11
October	3	11
November	3	11
December	4	18

Visits have been made on all Aid to Dependent Children cases.

Resources have been checked; school, health, dental, eyes and ears, have been checked. Dental work has been attended to when needed; glasses have been furnished when necessary, and special medical treatment has been given when needed.

There was one (1) hospital case during the year 1943.

The total expenditures for Aid to Dependent Children for 1943 was \$2,395.19.

Summary of Aid to Dependent Children Costs for Four Year Period

	1940	1941	1942	1943
Expenditures	\$3,153.00	\$3,263.00	\$2,917.00	\$2,395.19
Receipts	3,003.80	2,361.37	2,505.17	2,423.25
Actual Costs A.D.C.	\$149.20	\$1,261.63	\$411.83	none

Old Age Assistance

During the year 1943 there were ninety-one (91) cases aided during the year; seventy-eight cases being the largest number of cases in any one month.

Seventy-eight (78) cases aided were Norton settled cases.

Ten (10) cases aided were unsettled (State) cases.

Three (3) cases aided were cases settled in other cities and towns.

There were sixteen applications for Old Age Assistance during the year 1943. Twelve (12) applications were approved; two (2) applications withdrawn; two (2) applications rejected as ineligible (one having sufficient income from children and the other because of age requirement).

There were three (3) cases that received hospitalization and two (2) Rest Home cases.

In January 1943 we aided seventy-eight (78) Old Age Assistance cases, total monthly pay-roll being \$2,810.25. In December we aided seventy-four (74) Old Age Assistance cases, total monthly pay-roll being \$2,717.50.

The following tabulation will give the number of cases aided each month:

January	78	July	73
February	75	August	74
March	73	September	73
April	74	October	74
May	73	November	76
June	74	December	74

Of the ninety-one cases aided during the year, seventeen (17) cases were closed, the following tabulation will give the number of cases closed during the year and the reasons for closing:

Deceased 8; moved to other city or town 1; secured private employment 4; became ineligible due to sufficient funds 1; became ineligible due to relatives willing and able to support 3.

The following tabulation will give the number of increases and decreases during the year 1943 and reasons.

Increases

January (1) State Law re. budget.
 February (1) Medical.
 March (1) Medical.
 April (2) Medical.
 May (2)—1—Sufficient Income, 1—Rest Home.
 July (2) Medical
 September (7) State. Law
 October (4) State Law
 December (1) Rest Home

Each Old Age Assistance case has been visited in accordance with regulations.

Bills for Old Age Assistance cases to other cities and towns were billed in July and December 1943, for the amount of \$214.50.

The total expenditures for Old Age Assistance for 1943 was \$31,609.47.

Amount paid for State cases was \$3,214.50.

Amount paid for other cities and town cases, living in Norton \$1,020.00.

Summary of Old Age Assistance Costs for Four Year Period

	1940	1941	1942	1943
Expenditures	\$28,243 .07	\$29,766 .29	\$32,825 .12	\$31,609 .47
Receipts	29,262 .21	23,027 .70	27,733 .42	27,749 .47
Actual Costs—	none	\$6,738 .59	\$5,091 .70	\$3,860 .00
Old Age Assistance				

The Food Commissary was discontinued in June 1943, there being no further distribution of food from the Federal Government.

The Board of Public Welfare meets the Friday preceding the 1st Monday of each month, and on the Wednesday, preceding the third Thursday of each month, at 7 P. M. at the Town Hall.

The Welfare office is located in the Town Hall on the second floor. Telephone number is 131. Office hours are 9 A. M. to 12 noon and 1 P. M. to 4:30 P. M., except when working outside on visits, re-visits or investigations.

The Welfare Board was notified June 11th by the Division of Civil Service that Mrs. Alice M. Rosequist had passed the examination for Agent and that her name had been approved and placed on record as Agent, Department of Public Welfare.

The Welfare Board accepted with regret the resignation of

W. Robert LaChapelle who joined the Armed Forces. You did a splendid job while on the Board and we wish you good health, good luck and a safe return home.

Mr. Vinton I. Reynolds was appointed to fill the vacancy. Mr. Reynolds who has had a good many years previous experience in Welfare work is a capable addition to the Board.

There has been several changes in the Old Age Assistance Law during the past year which has meant a great deal of added clerical work and interviews with children of recipients of Old Age Assistance. We sincerely hope that the added burden in some cases has not caused any disharmony within the family group.

We wish to thank the Town Officials, the Chief of Police, Visiting Nurse Association, the Red Cross, House In The Pines Charitable Group, Wheaton College Group, and residents of Norton who have assisted the Department in any way. Your co-operation and benevolence is appreciated.

We wish to thank Mrs. Rosequist for her continued co-operation at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

BERNARD CABISIUS, Chairman
LESTER M. JOHNSON
VINTON I. REYNOLDS
ALICE M. ROSEQUIST, Agent

Board of Public Welfare

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
School Committee



FOR THE
Year Ending December 31, 1943

Printed by the Selectmen under the Provisions of
Chapter 40, Section 49, of the General Laws.

**REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE
TOWN OF NORTON
FOR THE YEAR 1943**

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Arthur L. Valentine, Chairman, Telephone, Attleboro 613-W-3	Term expires 1946
Mrs. Helen W. Gavin, Secretary, Telephone, Norton 65	“ “ 1945
Mr. Ernest J. Knapton, Telephone, Norton 188	“ “ 1944

The Committee meets in the High School on the fourth Monday of each month at 7:30 P. M.

UNION SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Norton and Plainville
Laurence G. Nourse, Telephone Norton 66
Office, Norton 94-3

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Dr. E. W. Clarke
Telephone, Norton 75

SCHOOL NURSE

Mildred Paulding R. N.
Telephone Norton 185

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Carlton Draper

Employment and Educational Certificates are issued at the office of the Superintendent of Schools.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Elementary and High Schools:

First term opens September 8, 1943.

First term closes December 23, 1943.

Second term opens January 3, 1944.

Second term closes February 18, 1944.

Third term opens February 28, 1944.

Third term closes April 21, 1944.

Fourth term opens May 1, 1944.

Fourth term closes:

Elementary Schools—June 16, 1944.

High School—June 23, 1944

SCHOOL SESSION

High School—8:00 a. m. to 1:05 p. m.

Elementary Schools—9:00 a. m. to 12:00 noon, and 1:00 p. m. to 3:00 p. m.

HOLIDAYS

October 11, October 12, October 29, November 11, November 25
November 26, December 23, April 19, May 30.

NO SCHOOL SIGNALS

7:10 a. m.—Three double blasts of the whistles at the plants of Talbot Wool Combing Company, Defiance Manufacturing Company, and the sirens of the Norton Fire Department, signify no session for any school for the day.

7:45 a. m.—Same signal signifies no session in the elementary school for the day.

Signals will be given through radio station WEAN: 7:00 a. m. to 7:30 a. m.; and at 7:45 a. m. and 8:15 a. m.

To the Citizens of Norton:

The war has raised many problems in school administration for which satisfactory answers are not always possible. During the year 1943 the Norton School Committee has had the responsibility of supervising the education of over five hundred children. Mounting costs, transportation problems, shortages of materials, teacher replacements, and a growth in the proportion of children in the primary grades as compared with those in the High School have given the Committee a constant succession of responsibilities. It has done its best to meet these problems, recognizing that every aspect of our national life has been similarly affected by the pressure of the war.

During 1943 several changes in the school staff took place. Mr. William C. Morrison, Assistant Principal of the High School, resigned in January, 1943. During the rest of the school year

Mrs. William Fales filled this position with excellent results. Miss Alta M. Estabrook, a graduate of Colby College, was secured at the start of the present school year. Miss Estabrook had two years of teaching experience at Island Falls, Maine.

In June, 1943, Miss Margaret Conlin, teacher of the third and fourth grades in the Sturdy School, resigned. This position was filled by Miss C. Lenore Roberts, who for several years taught in the schools of Hooksett, New Hampshire.

Mr. Clarence H. Salls, Principal of the Barrowsville School, resigned early in 1943. Miss Eleanor McLaughlin was transferred from the No. 8 school to fill this position. Upon the resignation of Miss McLaughlin in September, Miss Larkin of the Center School was appointed Principal of the Barrowsville School. Positions in the Center School were filled by the appointment of Miss Marie Gargan, a graduate of the State Teachers College at Bridgewater, class of 1943, as teacher of the third and fourth grades, and Mrs. Ruby B. Mitchell, a graduate of Goddard Seminary, Barre, Vermont, as teacher in the fifth and sixth grades.

Miss Crouse, teacher in the Barrowsville School, resigned in June because of ill-health, having completed several years of teaching in the Sturdy and Barrowsville Schools. Her position was filled by the appointment of Mrs. Margaret Mahoney, a graduate of Bridgewater State Teachers College, with teaching experience in West Bridgewater.

Mrs. Drusilla Foster resigned early in the year as School and District Nurse, after faithful and efficient service. Mrs. Mildred Paulding of Attleboro was secured for this position by the District Nursing Association.

One of the most critical matters during the year has been the increase of school enrollment in the lower grades, particularly at the Center School. Parents will recognize the great importance of getting children in the first grade off to a good start and the difficulties and disadvantages which arise when this grade is overcrowded. Little relief can be obtained by transferring pupils to the Chartley or Barrowsville School. By establishing a first grade in the Legion Hall and by closing the Winnecunnett School so as to make more advantageous use of the services of its teacher, some relief has been obtained. But overcrowding in the lower grades continues and some further measures are necessary. The Committee feels the necessity of adding one more teacher to the Center School and of securing additional space by dividing the assembly room in the High School. These are makeshift measures, but the public should understand that in these times and with the facilities available

no other type of solution is possible. Further details concerning this problem are contained in the report of the Superintendent.

Faced with the constant necessity of improvisation, the School Committee earnestly recommends to the public the need of much thought and planning with respect to the educational problems of Norton. Our school equipment is steadily deteriorating. Parents have only to visit the schools to see the disadvantages under which teachers and pupils have to work. A long range plan that would make a systematic analysis of local trends and local requirements is very much to be desired. The Governor of Massachusetts has already set up an advisory committee to consider post-war building in the Commonwealth and the School Committee has made contact with it. Norton has few adequate playgrounds, and while these may not be so important here as in congested urban areas parents will recognize the value of organized and supervised out-of-door activities. The co-operation of interest groups such as the Parent Teachers Association and other bodies in further discussion and planning is heartily welcomed.

The School Committee ventures to remind the public that in the matter of providing education the Town of Norton is free only up to a certain point to determine whether it will or will not expend its funds. In certain respects the legislation of the State is mandatory. For example, the General Court last year established a minimum salary of \$1200 per annum for all public school teachers with the consequence that the local school budget has been unavoidably increased. Furthermore, the State also establishes certain minimum standards with respect to the heating, ventilating, overcrowding, and general safety of school buildings. In consequence of this, it is entirely possible that the Town might suddenly find itself faced with the necessity of incurring large expenditures for new school facilities. Such considerations give added point to the suggestion that planning and study be undertaken at once. The economies that can be effected in the school budget will not be obtained by refusing to spend money but by determining to spend it wisely.

The principals, teachers, and others associated with the Norton schools have continued to give loyal service. They have willingly assumed new responsibilities and have acquitted themselves well. The Superintendent has conscientiously handled a great deal of detailed and laborious work in addition to the general planning and supervision which his position requires. The School Committee particularly appreciates the growing interest and enthusiasm of the officers and members of the Parent Teachers' Association—an active and public spirited

body which is making its efforts felt in the improvement of our schools.

Finally, the Committee records its deep regret at the death of two former pupils, Paul Irving Fillmore and George Arthur Nesbit Jr., who gave their lives while serving with the United States Navy.

Careful consideration of the following financial data and budget for 1944 is urged. In order to maintain the standards of our schools under war-time conditions support of this budget is essential. Certain temporary measures are also suggested in order to improve some of the teaching situations. Your thoughtful study of the problems of our schools is desired.

TABLE I

Total Expenditures per Pupil for Support of all Public Schools—
Data from State Department of Education.

Annual Report for	Norton	State Average of Group III Towns
1943	\$91.67	\$109.92
1942	90.96	103.20
1941	86.36	98.88
1940	87.52	97.27
1935	77.21	87.64
1930	84.62	97.40
1925	84.65	85.39

ACTUAL EXPENDITURE was \$18.25 per pupil LESS than the STATE AVERAGE for the same size towns in 1943. In last year's budget report Norton was \$12.24 below the State average. Thus Norton's actual expenditure per pupil has greatly decreased below the state average. From the State Department of Education report for above years, item number 47B.

TABLE II

STATE REIMBURSEMENTS FOR TEACHERS'
SALARIES AND TUITION

1925	\$8,137.86
1930	11,887.47
1935	13,061.80
1940	13,520.79

	1942	1943
School Fund, Part II	\$5,932.96	\$7,766.19
School Fund, Part I	3,991.96	5,828.19
Tuition	251.14	180.84
Salary of Supt.	1,160.00	1,160.00
Trade School	207.90	348.53
Tuition, Boston	55.08	59.22
Adult Civic Education		109.50
Totals	\$11,598.83	\$15,453.11

TABLE III
NET EXPENDITURES PER PUPIL FROM LOCAL TAXATION
(Deducting the amount paid by State reimbursements)

	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943
Norton.....	\$59.24	\$61.18	\$62.00	\$59.50	\$66.24	\$68.75
Foxboro.....	73.64	76.77	79.46	80.45	80.53	87.03
Easton.....	58.09	60.52	64.56	63.85	64.99	76.63
Mansfield.....	69.69	74.72	77.21	83.95	87.27	97.46
Taunton.....	73.43	74.06	74.54	80.16	78.92	90.02
Attleboro.....	74.16	76.34	77.75	81.35	84.35	87.48
Wrentham.....	74.20	77.70	81.22	90.58	96.51	107.56
Walpole.....	107.97	92.01	100.08	96.62	91.88	93.25
Sharon.....	99.24	100.71	97.90	95.01	98.40	106.87
Bridgewater.....	72.17	74.92	79.16	85.16	89.64	96.11
Dighton.....	77.98	73.75	77.83	89.19	96.69	87.59
Fall River.....	68.75	69.42	73.57	82.81	92.61	106.43
State Average						
GROUP III TOWNS.....	73.00	74.02	74.44	76.14	79.89	87.45

Norton in the last six years as shown above spent the LEAST of any of these towns with one exception. This table shows the LOCAL effort for support of schools. Norton's expenditure is \$18.70 below the state average. Thus Norton would have to have spent in 1942 \$9,331.30 more to be up to the average for our school population.

From the State Department of Education report for above years, item number 39.

The summary of the 1944 school budget follows:

	Budget 1944	Budget 1943	Expended (5 yrs. ago) 1939	Expended (10 yrs. ago) 1934	Expended (15 yrs. ago) 1929
General	\$635.00	\$535.00	\$389.17	\$528.15	\$513.94
Teachers' Salaries	29,960.00	27,820.00	24,216.10	24,298.82	24,550.28
Janitors' Salaries	3,848.00	3,676.00	3,345.50	3,500.00	3,400.07
Transportation	6,898.00	6,328.00	6,086.00	6,148.74	6,552.00
Fuel and Light	2,495.00	2,299.00	1,691.69	1,726.81	2,284.11
Books and Supplies	2,700.00	2,700.00	2,308.79	1,644.67	2,058.26
Superintendent, salary and School Union Travel	2,500.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00
Physician	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
New Equipment	250.00	250.00	183.40	136.40	212.83
Tuition	800.00	775.00	72.06	25.00	205.94
Repairs, Janitors' Supplies	2,410.00	2,410.00	2,373.82	1,451.28	1,756.46
Sundries	340.00	240.00	224.19	141.20	274.83
Adult Alien Education	300.00	360.00			
Household Arts	949.00	863.00			
Retirement Fund for Teachers in Military Service	346.00				
Rent	350.00				
Totals	\$54,981.00	\$50,856.00	\$43,490.72	\$42,201.07	\$44,408.72

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR L. VALENTINE, Chairman

HELEN W. GAVIN, Secretary

ERNEST J. KNAPTON,

School Committee

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Norton School Committee:

I have the honor of submitting to you my twentieth annual report as Superintendent of Schools and the fiftieth in the series of reports.

Statement of Purposes

In these serious war days school teachers are faced with many new problems and difficulties in trying to meet the educational needs of our youth. Strong faith and high ideals constantly support our efforts. The following statement of purposes is fundamental with our teachers.

Our faith in American youth

Our eagerness that the public schools be of utmost service in the war emergency

Our belief and faith in the American way of living and our loyalty to our democratic institutions

Our belief that our Nation, State and Town must be prepared to meet the need of the young men returning from military service after the war and the new problems of youth under new conditions. Our schools and our teachers are determined to play their full part in meeting this problem.

School Enrollment Data

The important fact in school enrollments in the Norton Schools for the current school year is that, while the High School has had a large decrease, the elementary schools have had an even greater increase. Some of the High School decreases has been due to pupils entering business and industrial occupations. Because of high wages for little or no training and because of a patriotic appeal for war work, many youths are giving up school. Military service at seventeen or eighteen also takes some who would otherwise be in school.

At present the High School is at capacity in many rooms and at 100 pupils is crowded. At 120 to 130, as many times in the past, the school is seriously handicapped. With the return to normal conditions for young people these enrollments will again take place. With the present trend in the elementary population greater enrollments are very probable.

Considering the September and December enrollments there has been since a year ago an increase of approximately 10 per cent in the combined Center and No. 8 schools, a decrease of 5 per cent in the Sturdy School and an increase of 25 per cent in the Barrowsville School.

The completion of the fourth classroom at Barrowsville will take care of the expanded enrollment if this increase should continue as for the past two years. At times the Sturdy School has been seriously crowded. Adjustment in size of classes can be made with transfer to the Center School of pupils living approximately half way between the two schools. The immediate concern is the Center School. With opening of a classroom in the new Legion Hall it has been possible to have a first grade alone with one teacher instead of combined first and second grades in the primary room. The eighth grade also is alone in one room. The two most essential grades, first and eighth, thus have more advantages than in the past. Another accomplishment this year has been the organization of Grades 6—8 on basis of departmental teaching. Each main subject is thus taught by one teacher throughout these grades. More specialized teaching and continuity of work is possible. With the use of the teacher formerly teaching 10 to 17 pupils at No. 8 school, more pupils can now be assigned to this teacher in the Center School organization with more even distribution of pupils in all rooms. While there has been much gain in this step, more remains to be done to get the proper size classroom for the first four grades. With 125 pupils in the first four grades there is an average of 42 pupils per room for these three rooms available, two in the High School building and one in the Legion Hall. One more teacher should be added, thus giving 31 pupils per room. Further expansion of the Center and High School building as advocated in the past reports will take care of this condition but most serious consideration should be given to taking emergency care of this problem until a permanent solution is possible.

The following table of enrollments gives the basis for the above discussion and is worth careful study.

ENROLLMENT NORTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

September Data

Schools	1926	1928	1930	1932	1934	1936	1938	1940	1942	1943
High										
Boys.....	40	41	36	50	46	52	48	49	44	32
Girls.....	42	49	59	69	71	81	62	71	74	61
Center										Grades
7-8.....	39	32	46	46	41	36	36	36	30	8
5-6.....	47	38	45	46	38	39	39	37	34	6-7
3-4.....	47	44	*60	49	49	38	41	42	47	5-6
2-3.....	40	38	41	44	44	34	42	39	30	3-4
1-2.....	36	28	35	37	31	29	27	27	39	2-3
Legion Hall.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Sturdy										
7-8.....	20	33	31	31	37	35	33	35	37	27
5-6.....	35	31	32	34	34	33	25	33	28	27
3-4.....	21	36	34	40	36	29	36	40	27	31
1-2.....	30	36	34	38	40	41	27	30	35	35
Barrowsville										
6-8.....	34	28	22	28	24	31	34	22	20	26
4-5.....	25	25	23	31	23	21	22	21	31	33
1-3.....	40	31	27	30	23	27	19	19	20	30
No. 8	44	39	27	23	20	12	10	13	17	—
Totals.....	540	529	551	596	557	538	501	514	522	526

*12 of these pupils in special classroom in H. S. library.

HOUSEHOLD ARTS PROGRAM

At a special Town Meeting, December 3, 1942, the Town of Norton voted to approve the establishment and maintenance of State-aided vocational education in the Norton High School. The Massachusetts Department of Education approved the program in our school as of December 1, 1942.

Everyone who has had contact with this new program in the High School has given high praise to this department. The leadership of Mrs. Charlotte Harnden as teacher, and of the Advisory Committee consisting of: Mrs. Alfred Krall, Mrs. Charles Baker, Mrs. Albert Jenks, and Mrs. Bernard L. Duffy, has been responsible for this high record.

The Department of Education closely supervises the Household Arts program. The final report from M. Norcross Stratton, Director of Vocational Education, at the end of the first year of this program is quoted below:

"Established December 1, 1942. All records examined, found to be acceptable, and school recommended for approval in these particulars.

Teaching organization and teachers recommended for approval.

All courses recommended for approval.

The new day household arts program has had a satisfactory initial year. Good standards have been maintained and the units of instruction have been adjusted to the girls' personal problems and home responsibilities during these war days.

The contribution of the homemaking teacher to other than vocational girls, and the active interest of the school authorities and the Advisory Committee, should result in a better understanding of the possibilities of the vocational homemaking program."

In support of this program the State Department of Education reimburses the Town of Norton for 50 per cent of the cost of maintenance and directly pays four-sevenths of the salary of the teacher. I believe the record of the first year has fully justified this newest program in our High School.

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION FOR BOYS

The successful completion of the first year of the state-aided vocational program for girls is an appropriate time for careful consideration of a program for boys in the High School. During the past year careful study has been given to the possibilities

of such a program. Those schools which had had in the past a strong vocational program have played an important part in helping local industries engaged in war work. This has been especially true in those communities where the local industries required expert workmen who needed intensive preliminary training. The Norton problem has not required the more specialized program but a general training. In agriculture and in jewelry the county and the Attleboro schools offer this training and a number of Norton boys are usually taking advantage of these opportunities.

The decrease in the High School enrollment during the current year has reduced the number of boys who might be interested in this type of training at present. Opportunities in business and in industry are at an all-time peak. Many industrial plants are giving short intensive courses to train boys for this work to meet their immediate demands. With the return of normal conditions most boys of High School age will need at least a general basic vocational training. Our town should now be planning as far as possible to be prepared to meet this need. Mr. Daniel H. Shay, Supervisor of Industrial Education, Massachusetts Department of Education, at my suggestion visited our High School and after an examination of the school building, held a conference with the High School Principal and myself for a careful discussion of our present school program and the possibility of this type of education. The conclusions made at this conference are quoted below from the letter of Mr. Shay on September 30, 1943. I am in full agreement with these conclusions. I believe the part-time training plan in cooperation with the regular High School program has very great and valuable possibilities.

September 30, 1943

Mr. Laurence G. Nourse
Superintendent of Schools
Norton, Massachusetts

"Dear Mr. Nourse:

This is in confirmation of my understanding of our discussion on September 20 regarding the possibility of establishment of state-aided vocational education in Norton. While it seems entirely feasible to organize such work in relatively small communities, I cannot recommend that this can be done in Norton because of the very small enrollment which you have in your secondary educational program. It seems very doubtful to me that you would be able to establish a program with so few

pupils that would be satisfactory to you and to them. I believe it will be more satisfactory and less expensive for Norton to pay the tuition of such pupils who wish to attend the adjoining vocational schools in Taunton and Attleboro.

However, I believe there should be some manual opportunity afforded your high school boys who are not preparing to go to college, and for your youngsters in the upper grades of the intermediate or junior high program. This may not be practical at the moment but should be something to which you would look forward. This would mean the services of one teacher who might serve both the high school and the seventh and eighth grades in manual training. It would seem that you ought to find some other space than that which is available in the high school. Perhaps renting some large factory type room would be the answer for the present until you have more definite plans.

I suggest also that you investigate the possibility of organizing a program of some part-time training work organized and integrated with your high school program. This would have to depend on the willingness of your local industries to assist, and might be organized in a program which would have the boys in school from eight to twelve and from one to five in the local industries, or some such program depending on your local industries. Such a program in which the experiences of the employment would be integrated and coordinated with a school program would be very helpful and perhaps the best that you could do at the moment. This would be a miniature of the very excellent program which is organized in Springfield, Vermont, and in Beverly, Southbridge and Waltham, in Massachusetts; except that in these cases the boy works a full week in the factory, alternating with a full week in the school. I think the week-about organization would not be as helpful as a half day in employment alternating with a full day in the school, in Norton.

I shall be glad to be of any assistance that I may be later if you feel that I can help.

Very truly yours,

DANIEL H. SHAY,
Supervisor of Industrial Education"

LIBRARY READING PROGRAM

The outstanding professional meeting during the past year was a conference at the high school on November 15th. Miss Catherine M. Yerxa, Secretary of the Division of Public Libra-

ries, Department of Education, was the speaker. A most interesting outline of the work of the division in cooperation with the public schools of the State was explained. The use of the lists of books on the State Certificate Reading Plan was presented. Any pupil reading five books may receive a Certificate, and for twenty books, an Honor Certificate, signed by the Librarian of the Public Library. Reports on the books read by the pupils are made to the school teacher. This plan makes available and encourages the reading of good books. This conference was attended by the teachers and principals of Norton and Plainville; superintendents of schools and representative teachers from Easton and West Bridgewater, the Norton Librarians; Miss Gertrude Mott and Miss Doris Durgin, and Miss Caro Lynn, President of the Board of Directors of the Norton Library, and Mrs. John C. Pratt, Miss Helen J. Caffrey, and Mrs. Ada H. Pillsbury, Directors of the Norton Library, and Mr. Arthur W. Washburn, Trustee Plainville Public Library. The helpful cooperation of the library officials in arranging library hours for school children and in purchasing books for the State Certificate Reading List is gratefully acknowledged.

CLASSROOM LIGHTING

Recently on a winter day with average light conditions, I used a standard Light Meter to test the amount of light available to pupils. During this test all electric lights were in use. Many of these fixtures are so inefficient that only a small amount of change was registered on the meter with the electric lights on or off. Nine readings were made in each classroom in all schools between 9 a.m. and noon. These readings were made, three on the desks of pupils in the row nearest the windows, three in the middle of the room and three on the inside row. The average results are shown for each row. The numbers are light units on the meter. On the scale 0-5 units are considered critical or dangerous for reading, 10-20 units are normal for reading, ordinary print, 20-30 units are for fine type, drawing, sewing, etc., above 30 units exceptional high amount of light. In this table the light conditions of the Sturdy School are much the best of all schools. Most classrooms have one third of the room with improper light conditions for doing school work. Fluorescent lighting is rapidly being used commercially. Some schools have already adopted it with excellent results both for efficient lighting conditions and economy of operation. A substantial start toward meeting this problem should be made in 1944.

LIGHTING TEST RESULTS

High School			
	Near Windows	Middle	Inside Row
Chemistry Room	20	15	10
French Room	20	15	8
Main Room	18	5	5
English Room	20	15	8
Commercial Room	20	16	8
Center School			
Grade 8	13	5	8
6-7	17	10	6
5-6	27	14	6
3-4	36	11	7
2-3	20	8	7
1	16	10	7
Sturdy School			
Grades 7-8	50	32	12
5-6	36	18	25
3-4	50	22	15
1-2	36	14	22
Barrowsville School			
Grades 6-8	50	16	8
3-5	50	22	11
1-3	50	20	10

SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORTATION

The Office of Defense Transportation put into effect in March, 1943, twelve Wartime School Transportation Adjustments. These had to be met in order to operate school buses. These necessary changes make certain hardships for many pupils in comparison with the transportation which they enjoyed in normal times. Wartime needs require patriotic compliance with these conditions. The main changes are: no side trips from the main roads for pupils within one and one-half miles, elimination of all special routes unless pupils live over two miles from school, and reduction of the number of bus stops. In carrying out these standards the bus mileage has been cut thirty percent from that of September, 1942. A route map for all school bus trips was prepared and submitted to the Office of Defense Transportation. This met with the approval of that Board. When school transportation is released from the control of that board, the normal bus plans will be restored as soon as possible.

Quotations from Grammar School Principals' Reports

Center School—Miss Loretta McHugh

This report will be found as a part of the report of the High School Principal

Sturdy School—Mr. William M. Mahoney

One important activity that has taken place at the Sturdy School this year has been the extra-curricular program that has been developed. All teachers are supervising activity groups, which vary from knitting to hiking clubs.

Much work has been, and is being done by these organizations. The Nature Club in Grades I and II has taken weekly hikes to nearby farms and gardens and excellent health lessons have been taught in this way.

The Victory Club in Grades V and VI has made wreaths for the Camp Myles Standish recreation halls and is going to sponsor many other activities that will help in the war effort.

The Junior Red Cross has been active in knitting afghan squares and in making defense posters.

The Aviation Club, which was organized last year is continuing this year for the boys in Grades VII and VIII, and IX, and with the beginning of the second semester will include the boys in Grades V and VI also. Club members have built many models and have already held one model airplane contest.

It is hoped that these activities will help, not only in the sum total of the war effort, but in the well-balanced development of every child in the school.

Barrowsville School—Miss Mary E. Larkin

Schools at War

During the past year the pupils have made a grand showing in the purchase of War Savings Stamps and Bonds. The United States Treasury Department awarded the school two citations for its fine work. The Minute Man Flag, awarded for more than 90 per cent of the pupils participating in this program, has flown every month since it was presented to the school by an Army Officer last April. With the second anniversary of Pearl Harbor, the pupils had doubled their threat, purchasing two parachutes, two motor scooters, and two life floats.

Graduation Honors

Barrowsville was favored at graduation when Anita Roberge was the recipient of the English prize and the American Legion School Award for the most outstanding girl.

Extra Curricular Activities

Girl Scouts

Troop 2, Barrowsville Girl Scouts, resumed its meeting for the first time in the past few years. There is an active membership of nineteen girls, half of whom are already in complete uniform. The opportunities that the National Organization offers the girls, are many, and each girl possesses a great deal of enthusiasm. In the passing of the Community Life Badge, scouts made Christmas wreaths, bouquets, and sprays for the soldiers at Camp Myles Standish.

Junior Red Cross

A group of girls met on Tuesday afternoons working to help the war effort. Cartoon books were made and sent to a nearby service camp. Stuffed animals were made and donated to a children's hospital.

Sports and games

Physical education allows the child to secure rest from school work, helping him to keep his body strong and healthy. Barrowsville is fortunate in having a gymnasium for such exercise. During the year competitive games were carried on with the Sturdy and Center Schools. A new type of program was initiated and carried out by a group of Wheaton girls. Team work, cooperation, and good sportsmanship are the outstanding traits of our players.

Closing

To the school committee: your continuous interest and careful attention to the many school problems in these war days is greatly appreciated by me and, I am sure, by the citizens of Norton, interested in the progress of the schools.

Respectfully submitted,

LAURENCE G. NOURSE

REPORT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Mr. Laurence Nourse
Superintendent of Schools:

Our high school started its thirty eighth year with 32 boys and 60 girls. One more girl registered after the school year started. One boy has resigned to enter another high school, and one to enter a trade school. This enrolment is slightly smaller than usual due to prospective entering pupils attending

the Taunton Trade school and the total eighth grade graduates were fewer than in the years past. It is still necessary to crowd the seating capacities of the recitation rooms.

The new Biology course, taught by Miss Loretta McHugh, has been added to our curriculum. A microscope and the minimum necessities for the course have been secured. Each year I hope to add some items of a permanent character such as slides, specimens, and apparatus. The course has two laboratory periods and three recitation periods per week. This subject is valuable for the knowledge obtained and for satisfying entrance requirements to higher education. Many of our pupils have been handicapped in the past, upon entering a nurse's training school. Now we have a very acceptable science department for a small high school.

The year old Household Arts Course is making fine progress. The course of study can be rearranged to meet new conditions. One chief idea in the cooking classes is to make a study of the uses of non-rationed foods. The young ladies prepared recently and served a luncheon to a group of school superintendents using only non-rationed foods. Mrs. Charlotte Harnden is the instructor. She puts much study and time into the adaptation of these subjects into practical home uses, and she makes home visits to observe these home applications. Each summer she attends a course given by the Massachusetts Department of Education. There has been no change in the list of subjects presented in each of the four years. These subjects were printed in the annual report of 1942.

Employment of better than 70 per cent of our student body has prevented either baseball or basketball from flourishing. Club activities are at a low ebb as no one can remain to rehearse for programs. The handicraft class has only three members where there were usually twenty.

Mrs. Charlotte Pierce is our hostess in the lunch room. Her experience and adaptability has made it possible for a hot lunch to be served. Getting the food for these meals has been a trying situation at times. The ration board has granted us points for the foods.

Visual education is not conducted on schedule, although frequent reels are shown to the school. Special films have been shown to the household arts classes. Recently a health film was shown under the direction of Mrs. Mildred Paulding, our school nurse.

The demand for information about pupils in the armed forces, hospitals and higher institutions of learning caused us to give all pupils an educational test. Miss Peixotto, of Wheaton College,

gave and checked these individual tests. This information is also useful to the teachers when they are checking causes for failures or let downs in the school work.

The annual Senior Play, "Tricking Tricksters" was presented at the College gymnasium on December 22, 1943. Mrs. Helen Doherty of the French department was the coach.

The prizes and the Alumni cup were presented as usual at graduation. Following is a list of the winners:

Washington and Franklin History Award; Richard Charette
Alumni Award; Doris Camara
P. T. A. English Award; Marguerite Bottomley
Wheaton Award; Laura Fontneau, Richard Charette
Commercial Award; Laura Fontneau
Latin Club Award; Celeste August
French Club Award; Doris Camara
Student Council Award; Russell Briggs, Pearl Hadley
D. A. R. Award; Doris Camara
Readers Digest; Laura Fontneau
Household Arts; From outside work, Grace Limpus
Class work, Mae Bellavance

The Household Arts laboratory is in a cold corner and more heat was necessary. The asbestos was removed from the return steam pipes, this allowed heat to escape from the returning hot water. These pipes and the gas pipes have been painted. The window sashes and the window frames have been paned. This room is now complete.

This past summer the girl's basement was painted. The walls were covered with white muresco, and the wood work was painted grey. The entire basement is now in fine condition.

The U. S. Government found it necessary to abandon the issuing of surplus commodities. The new plan of contributing a definite amount of money per hot plate sold to the pupils has been accepted. Specified amounts of meat, bread, fruit, cocoa, fruit juice, potato, and milk for these noon meals have been established. Milk is sold for 2c. per one half pint and the hot plates are sold for 10c. each. Sandwiches and ice cream are also for sale. Most fruit is too scarce to be put on sale at the present time.

The demand for men for the armed services prohibited us from hiring a male assistant to the principal. This position is abandoned for the present. Miss Alta Estabrook, a resident of Maine, was hired as the teacher of English and Economics. She will have charge of the guidance for the three lower classes.

Miss Estabrook has had teaching experience in a Maine High School.

During the Christmas vacation our type-writers were cleaned and repaired. The usual exchanging of old for new machines had to be stopped. The mimeograph machine was also cleaned and repaired.

Our Commercial department has found it necessary to curtail the amount of out-side printing. The necessary printing for school and allied organization notices presents enough experience for the department.

Following is the report of my assistant Miss Loretta McHugh.

"The newest addition to the Center Grammar School has been the Legion Hall for the use of Grade One. This has been most successful and the enrollment has totalled 42 pupils, one of the largest first grades to enter our school. At this school, through the ability to obtain the 2 cent milk program, a hot drink, either cocoa or soup, is served. Parents of children in the school and other members of the P. T. A., have assisted in the preparation of this supplementary lunch.

"During the school year of 1942-1943 the sales of Defense Stamps and Bonds deserve mention. The school reached 100% participation and received its Minute Man Flag in December of 1942. This was presented with a suitable program, assisted by two lieutenants from a near-by army camp. In April of the year 1943, the school purchased a Jeep. At this time many children enjoyed rides in a Jeep and saw it perform many stunts at the school. Another citation is anticipated as a result of doubling last year's purchases.

"With the opportunity of having grades five through eight in a workable combination, departmental work was planned and followed as a new curriculum. The English in these grades is being taught by Mrs. Lucille Zwicker, the reading and spelling classes by Mrs. Ruby Mitchell, and the mathematics taught by Miss Loretta McHugh. This affords more specialization by the teachers and more alertness and responsibility for the children. The classes are on hour-schedules with the teachers changing rooms, because of lack of space in some of the rooms to accommodate the different members of pupils in each grade.

"Through the co-operation of Wheaton College, a definite program for Junior Red Cross work is carried on each Tuesday afternoon. At this time many groups work on afghans, scrap-books, sewing, and toy-repairing. The material is secured and distributed by the Attleboro headquarters.

"In reporting these new changes one can readily see that the school is growing educationally, physically, and purposefully. We are not standing still but are going ahead with the spirit of real Americanism."

I wish to thank the school committee, the superintendent, teachers, and pupils for the excellent support which I have received this year. To the parents and friends who have chaperoned the class events, many thanks. This support makes our school a better institution.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES S. RANDALL,

Principal of High School

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

Mr. Laurence G. Nourse
Supt. of Norton Public Schools

Dear Sir:

Following is my report for Music in the Norton Public Schools for the year ending December 31, 1943.

While the work in the grades is fundamentally the same each year, this past year beside working on our technical studies in our books, we are having the children learn the ballads made popular by the war, namely songs connected with the different branches of the Service, as well as learning some of our own Folk Songs. It makes a change from the regular book work.

We had just begun to use our new record player in connection with appreciation of music, when a tube burned out and not until this Fall were we able to get one. Now, thanks to you, Mr. Nourse, it is again in use as well as the new record "Ballad to America with Paul Robeson, soloist. This record works in well with subjects studied in school, presenting, as it does, episodes in our nation's history.

Thé music for Grammar School Graduation was all patriotic to fit into the play given "The Flag on the Mountain." We used the Star Spangled Banner, The Pledge of Allegiance and the Army Air Corps Song.

For High School Graduation our music was "New World on its Way", and "The Voice of Freedom." These songs meant a great deal to the Senior class, for on our trip to New York in April "The Voice of Freedom" was the theme used in the great spectacle given in Radio Music Hall, Radio City, New York, which we all saw and enjoyed so much.

I wish to express my deep appreciation for the many kindnesses shown me by all at graduation time. It was a most difficult time for me in my great loss and sorrow, but each and every one helped so much in making my graduation work as easy as possible. I am deeply grateful.

This Fall Mr. White is back with us for instrumental instruction for the children. We hope it won't be too long before we have a school orchestra again.

We have several new teachers and changes this year, but they are all cooperating and are following outlines carefully.

I have given each teacher a paper—Our Aim in Music—or just what to expect at the end of the year in his or her room.

We are using our new book Tones and Harmonies from the Music Hour Series, in the seventh and eighth grades at the Center—Mrs. Zwicker's room. It is a splendid book and we are getting a great deal from it.

In spite of all the sickness this year among teachers and pupils alike our program is up to schedule.

Miss Larkin is doing splendid work with her new work in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades in Barrowsville.

Thanks again for another year of service, and for the rote song books as well as "Tones and Harmonies."

Respectfully submitted,

ALICE M. ILLINGSWORTH

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ART

Mr. Laurence G. Nourse
Supt. of Schools:

My dear Mr. Nourse:

In beginning my report of the Art work in the schools of Norton for the year ending December, 1943, I would like to quote from the writings of an eminent artist and teacher, Van Dearing Perrine, who says, "I believe that all children are creative if given the opportunity to develop along lines of their dominant interests and are not crushed or standardized by that most dangerous of all things, a very little knowledge."

Our art program has been closely related to the war effort from Grade I through High School. In the lower grades such vehicles as planes, tanks, ships and jeeps have been constructed from paper as well as drawn and painted. Such subjects as

"Collecting Scrap Metal" and "Waste Paper"—"Saving Kitchen Fats" were illustrated and applied to slogans for lettering. Food and health posters, experiences at home and at school and the usual holiday projects were included in the program.

In grades 6, 7, 8 a war bond poster contest was held at the Grange Hall in Norton. The following pupils won awards: Carol Gavin, Center School first prize; Anita Roberge, Barrowsville School, second prize; and Florence Thibeault, Barrowsville School, third prize. The awards for the "Be Kind to Animal Poster" contest were given to the following pupils: Miriam Larson, Sturdy School, first prize; Anita Varney, Sturdy School, second prize; Therese Tremblay, Barrowsville School, third prize; Louise Hunt, Barrowsville School, Hon. Mention.

Some fine murals were completed in the upper grades—an especially commendable one was made in the Barrowsville School, Grades 6, 7, 8, subject "Courtship of Myles Standish." Also there were paintings of stained glass windows, outdoor sketching, pose drawings, lettering and simple interior elevations.

The High School Art and Mechanical Drawing classes continue to be filled to capacity. In the advanced Mechanical Drawing classes, emphasis has been placed upon blue print drawings, sheet metal problems, airplane plans, perspective and architectural renderings. First year mechanical problems, consisted of lettering, geometric problems, pen and ink shading.

The advanced art classes have worked enthusiastically on protective coloring of animals in nature in water color, which was preliminary to camouflage examples as used in the way such as the concealing of factories, roads, tanks, airports, planes, guns, soldiers, and ships. War Bond posters and Win the War slogans have been made and posted about the schools and in public buildings—other problems were original surface patterns in tempera, life drawing, and numerous drawings of airplanes, and other war vehicles, Christmas cards using stencil method.

The Art I program consisted of "Old English Lettering", pen and ink techniques, costumes, life drawing, cartoons, and outdoor sketching—also insignia for uniforms.

The High School Handicraft class completed examples of leather, bill'olds, pocket books, animals, pins, stenciled skirts, and book ends.

The cover design for the school report was made by Marguerite Bottomley. Fifty Christmas menu cover designs for the Junior Red Cross were stenciled by Betty Barrowclough.

The High School Art Exhibition was held in May in the Art room.

A course in Interior Decoration was given to the Home Planning group during the last term. Fabrics, color schemes, arrangements, good and poor furniture, and accessories were discussed and applied to plates.

Again, my appreciation of the excellent cooperation of the superintendent of Schools, the High School principal and the teachers in helping me to make Art more alive in our community.

Respectfully submitted,

ROWENA BROWN RICE,

Supervisor of Art

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Laurence G. Nourse
Superintendent of Schools.

I herewith submit the annual report of the school nurses activities for the year 1943.

The weekly schedule of visits to each school which was formerly instituted has been continued.

Home visits are made for the following purposes:

1. To report the physical findings of the school doctor to the parents and to urge them to consult with their family physicians.
2. To inform parents of any other health conditions observed by alert school teachers.
3. To discuss the efficacy of good health habits.

A total of 136 home visits were made this year.

During January and February the former nurse Mrs. Foster conducted a dental program designed to increase the child's consciousness of dental care.

The well child conference, sponsored by the Parent-Teachers Association was held in May. This conference is held to allow pre-school children to have a health examination by a child specialist. Needed health corrections are observed and are pointed out to the parent. Sallie Saunders, M.D. consultant, assisted by Bertha Lubrunsky, dental hygienist and Mrs. Catherine Barker, nutritionist, examined a total of 35 children. Follow up visits were made by the nurse in all cases.

During the same month the diphtheria prevention clinic was held for four consecutive weeks. A total of 55 children were immunized. Each child who received the three treatments for immunization was presented a certificate.

This summer through the medium of the Salvation Army, five school girls were able to attend Camp Wonderland in Sharon for 10 days.

Shortly after school opened each elementary pupil was weighed and measured. This will again be done in February and June. Parents will receive cards showing the growth of their children at the end of the school year.

A class in Red Cross Home Nursing has been started for a group of high school girls. This will continue through January.

We were unable to conduct the audiometer test for hearing due to a mechanical failure of the instrument which is supplied by the state.

We did however conduct the Mass. Vision Test under the supervision of Miss Christine Higgins. This examination was given to 78 pupils who were selected through the teachers' observations. Parents were advised in all cases on the results of the test.

Due to war-time rationing and the difficulty of obtaining some foods it is increasingly important to maintain the child's nutritional standards. It is the obligation of every parent to see that his child is well fortified with a nourishing, well balanced diet and a sufficient amount of sleep. The lunch room at the Center school has recently received Federal support and we hope to have with this added assistance many new and attractive well balanced meals.

Parents are urged to notice any unusual symptoms of illness and to keep their child at home until they are positive that the child is physically able to do the school work that is required of them.

Quarantine regulations have been sent home with each pupil and it is hoped that if these regulations are followed our number of contagious diseases will decrease accordingly.

In closing may I extend my thanks to Mr. Nourse, the local physicians, principals, teachers, janitors and parents who by their friendly co-operation have helped to carry out our school health program.

Respectfully submitted,

MILDRED PAULDING, R. N.

School Nurse

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Dear Mr. Nourse:

It has been impossible to complete the physical examinations of all the students due to two reasons:

1. So many absentees due to epidemics, and
2. due to the fact that, in caring for so many of the afflicted people, it was impossible to make arrangements with our school nurse to meet and examine all those present.

There have been cases of Anterior Poliomyelitis (infantile paralysis) influenza, grippe, pneumonia, chicken pox, mumps, measles, and of course the common cold.

Playground accidents have not been excessive, but a few have come to my attention. However, nothing of a serious nature.

I will repeat what I have said in previous years, thank you parents and teachers who have so thoroughly cooperated with the School Health Department in keeping out of school those children who are suffering from colds and other contagious diseases.

Also I appreciate the care which the janitors have shown in keeping our school buildings in a healthy state.

We are indeed fortunate in having such splendid cooperation all around and the School Health Department is very grateful.

Yours truly,
(Signed) ELMER W. CLARKE

EXTRACTS FROM THE SCHOOL CENSUS OF OCTOBER 1, 1943

	Males	Females	Total
Pupils between 7 and 16,	206	227	433
Pupils between 5 and 7,	42	48	90
	248	275	523
Sight and Hearing			
Number of pupils examined,			514
Number of pupils found defective in eyesight,			17
Number of pupils found defective in hearing,			8
Number of notices sent to parents,			52
Number of employment certificates issued during year,			35
Number of educational certificates issued during year,			166
Number of days the elementary schools were in session,			170
Number of days the high school was in session.			178

NORTON SCHOOL BANKING REPORT, 1943

Amount deposited in Bank, January 1, 1943,	\$312.64
Amount deposited by pupils, 1943,	33.30
Interest, 1943,	3.15
Amount withdrawn by pupils, 1943,	\$ 8.09
Amount transferred by pupils, 1943,	39.76
Deposited in bank, January 1, 1944,	301.24

	\$349.09	\$349.09
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Deposited by Grades

Center—	
Grades 7 and 8,	\$ 5.00
Grades 6 and 7,	10.30
Grades 4 and 5,	18.00
	\$33.30

The usual deposits have been diverted into War Stamps and Bonds.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES S. RANDALL, Agent

THIRTY-SEVENTH GRADUATION OF THE NORTON HIGH SCHOOL

Wheaton College Gymnasium
Wednesday, June 23, 1943, at 8:00 P. M.

CLASS OF 1943

Processional,	Seniors
Invocation,	

Reverend James A. Downey
St. Mary's Church
Barrowsville, Mass.

Address of Welcome,	Robert Louis Garrity
Song, "New World on its Way" (Theme from the New World symphony)	Dvorak

School Chorus

Forum—"Freedom in a Democracy".

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|---|-------------------------|
| 1. "Freedom of Speech," | Laura Rita Fontneau |
| 2. "Freedom of Worship," | Doris Camara |
| 3. "Freedom from Want," | Richard Joseph Charette |
| 4. "Freedom from Fear," | Hazel Pernilla Lorson |
| Song, "The Voice of Freedom" | (Reve Angelique) |
| Rubinstein, Adopted from "Rubinstein's Kammennoi Ostrovv" | |

School Chorus

Presentation of the Washington and Franklin History Prize
 Reverend Willard H. Roots
 Mansfield, Mass.

Presentation of the English Prize Mr. Leo Yelle

President of the Norton Parent-Teachers' Association

Presentation of the Wheaton Award

Miss M. Drusilla Haskell

Announcement of Prizes

Charles S. Randall, Principal

Presentation of Diplomas

Professor E. J. Knapton

Member of the Norton School Committee

Class Poem

Ruth Arlene Cathcart

Benediction

Reverend Oscar Aldrich

Chartley Methodist Church

Recessional.

Officers

President,
 Vice-President,
 Secretary,
 Treasurer,

Robert Louis Garrity
 Russell Cleveland Briggs
 Richard Joseph Charette
 Doris Camara

Graduates

Classical Course—Celeste August, Doris Camara, Richard Joseph Charette, Charles Clinton Valentine.

Household Arts Course—Virginia Mae Bellavance, Grace Edith Limpus, Edna Rose Sears.

Commercial Course—Russell Cleveland Briggs, Ruth Arlene Cathcart, Laura Rita Fontneau, Bernice Haskell, Ruth Eleanor Larson, Donald Leslie Pike, Sadie Rose Pino, Esther May Watson.

General Course—Marguerite Marion Bottomley, Robert Louis Garrity, Pearl Albertina Hadley, Jack Alfred Lane, Hazel Pernilla Lorson, Helen Louise Marshall, Rita Marie Roy.

Colors,
 Motto,
 Flower,

Blue and Silver
 "Through Trials to Triumph"
 White Gardenia

School Faculty

Mr. Charles S. Randall, Principal

Mrs. Marion Fales

Miss Helen Caffrey

Mrs. Jean Findlater

Miss Helen Roche

Mrs. Charlotte Harnden.

Mrs. Alice Illingworth

Mrs. Rowena Rice

GRADUATION EXERCISES

Norton Grammar Schools

Wheaton College Gymnasium

Wednesday Evening, June 16, 1943, 8:15 P. M.

Invocation

Reverend Alexander Cooper
Trinitarian Congregational ChurchSalute to the Flag, All will take part
Under the leadership of Ruth Bellavance
The Flag on the Mountain
Delle Oglesbee Ross

Reader, Anita Roberge

Characters:

Barbara Maxwell	Caroline Gavin
Hugh Maxwell	Robert Simmons
Linda Lawrence	Colleen Bailey
David Barry	David McGarry
Rickie Maxwell	Richard Dillon
Aunt 'Lisbeth Maxwell	Florence Thibeault
Jimpsy	Howard Randall
Jerry Graham (aviator)	Samuel Pino

Time	Present
Setting	A mountain cabin in June
Scene 1	Late Afternoon
Scene 2	Early Morning

Musical Selections:

Star Spangled Banner
The Pledge of Allegiance
Army Air Corps Song

Presentation of Perfect Attendance Certificates

Presentation of Honor Certificates

Mr. W. W. Mahoney, Principal Sturdy School

Presentation of American Legion School Awards

Mr. Harvey LaRosee, Commander Harold A. Healy
Post 222 American LegionPresentation of the English Prizes awarded by
Norton Parent Teachers' Association
Mr. Leo Yelle, President

Presentation of Diplomas

Professor E. J. Knapton, Member of Norton School Committee

Benediction,

Reverend Hazel Rogers Gredler
Congregational (Unitarian) Parish

Program under the direction of Grammar School Principals

Music under the direction of,

Mrs. Alice P. Illingworth, Supervisor of Music

Mrs. Dorothy Lincoln Clarke, Accompanist

Mrs. Rowena B. Rice, advisor on scenery and properties

LIST OF GRADUATES

Center School

Charles S. Randall, Principal

Loretta McHugh, Asst. Principal

Geraldine Mae Allen

Natalie Baker

Frank G. Delgado

Richard Lawrence Dillon

Caroline Preble Gavin

Hazel Gomes

Waneta Frances Haskell

Morna Gertrude Moran

Samuel Pino

Howard John Randall

Manuel J. Ribeiro

Anthony J. Sousa

Robert Howard Varney

Helen Warchal

Sturdy School

William M. Mahoney, Principal

Colleen Ethel Bailey

Robert H. Cheyne

Robert Joseph Devlin

Janet Marie Gay

Laura Gonsalves

Roland Gonsalves

Frederick Gross

Earle Hewitt Jenks

Miriam Priscilla Larson

David Lawrence McGarry

Robert F. Simmons

Phyllis Arleen Tribou

Donald Joseph Ulmer, Jr.

William David Wallace

Rita Viola Lamoureux

Barrowsville School

Eleanor McLaughlin, Principal

Ruth Bellavance

Anita D. Roberge

Florence Thibeault

NAMES OF PUPILS RECEIVING CERTIFICATE
FOR PERFECT ATTENDANCE, JUNE, 1942-43

Center School

Grade 2—Christopher Knapton
Grade 3—Sheila Tierney
Grade 5—Fred Scott
Grade 6—Thelma Haskell
Grade 7—Natalie Woodward

Sturdy School

None

Barrowsville School

Grade 2—Charles Salley
Grade 5—Eunice Salley
Grade 6—Shirley Mohr
Grade 7—David Dorothy
Grade 8—Anita Roberge

Norton High School

Ruth Cathcart
Hazel Lorson
Alicia Ferrini
Mary Gonsalves
Donald Pike
Howard Pike
Donald Thibeault
Esther Watson
Bette Woodward

MEMBERSHIP IN NORTON SCHOOLS, OCTOBER 1, 1943

—BOYS—

Grade	Age—	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	Totals
1		9	19	8	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	37
2		—	4	19	5	4	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	34
3		—	1	7	7	5	4	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	26
4		—	—	—	2	10	13	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	30
5		—	—	—	—	1	9	2	4	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	18
6		—	—	—	—	—	5	5	9	6	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	28
7		—	—	—	—	—	—	2	6	4	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	17
8		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	12	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	21
9		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	5	—	—	—	—	—	12
10		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	5	2	—	—	—	9
11		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	5	—	—	—	—	7
12		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	2
Total		9	25	34	15	20	32	12	27	23	17	14	10	3	1	—	—	241

MEMBERSHIP IN NORTON SCHOOLS, OCTOBER 1, 1943

—GIRLS—

Grade	Age—	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	Totals
1		16	22	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	43
2		—	5	11	4	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	23
3		—	—	7	17	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	28
4		—	—	—	7	9	3	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	24
5		—	—	—	1	7	7	3	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	22
6		—	—	—	—	1	9	8	5	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	26
7		—	—	—	—	—	3	8	9	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	25
8		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	17	8	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	30
9		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	7	—	—	—	—	—	13
10		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	3	—	—	—	—	13
11		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	7	4	—	—	—	12
12		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	13	4	1	—	22
Total		16	27	21	31	22	22	23	37	14	11	22	13	17	4	1	—	280

ATTENDANCE TABLE FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE, 1943

School		Aggregate Attendance	Average Daily Membership	Total Membership	Average Membership	Percent of Attendance	Number Tardy Marks	Number of Dismissals
High	Boys	6,434.0	36.35	44	39.61	92.04	62	6
	Girls	11,526.0	65.12	76	69.06	94.29	84	13
Center	7 & 8	4,525.0	26.70	31	29.09	91.76	8	0
	6 & 7	5,111.0	30.16	36	34.08	88.47	26	9
	4 & 5	7,309.0	43.06	49	47.44	90.35	3	3
	2 & 3	5,496.5	32.43	39	36.47	88.90	11	3
	1 & 2	5,732.0	33.83	39	38.27	88.52	11	3
Sturdy	7 & 8	5,452.0	32.17	37	35.06	91.75	10	3
	5 & 6	4,321.5	25.49	29	27.39	93.06	1	0
	3 & 4	4,004.0	23.62	28	25.41	92.95	21	0
	1 & 2	5,335.0	31.47	37	34.29	90.22	0	0
Barrowsville	6 - 8	3,202.5	18.89	22	19.77	95.55	12	5
	3 - 5	4,460.0	26.31	34	29.26	89.92	5	5
	1 - 2	3,095.5	18.27	24	19.86	91.33	0	0
No. 8	1 - 5	1,974.0	11.77	18	13.29	88.76	4	1
		77,978.0	455.64	543	498.34	91.19	258	51

TEACHERS, DECEMBER 31, 1943

School	Grade	Name	Date Ap- pointed	Where Educated
High		Charles S. Randall, B.S., Ed. M. Principal	1921	Harvard University, Middlebury College
		Alta M. Esatbrook, A.B.	1943	Colby College
		Helen R. Doherty, A.B., A.M.	1941	Boston University
		Jean M. Findlater, A.B.	1936	Wheaton College
		Helen J. Caffrey, B.S., Ed.	1917	Fitchburg State Teachers' College, Boston University
Center		Charlotie S. Harnden	1941	Framingham State Teachers' College
	8	Loretta McHugh, B.S., Ed., Prin.	1935	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
	6-7	Lucille Zwicker, A.B.	1937	Wheaton College
	5-6	Ruby B. Mitchell	1943	Goddard Seminary
	3-4	Marie Gargan, B.S., Ed.	1943	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
	2-3	Mildred Greene	1924	Wheaton College
	1	Elisabeth Raymond, B.S., Ed.	1942	Teachers' College, Columbia University
	7-8	William Mahoney, B.S., Ed. Acting Principal	1942	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
Sturdy	5-6	Mildred Wetherell	1921	Hyannis State Teachers' College
	3-4	Catherine Lenore Roberts	1943	Concord Training School
	1-2	Esther M. Bradstreet	1917	The Wheelock Kindergarten School

TEACHERS, DECEMBER 31, 1943—Continued

School	Grade	Name	Date appointed	Where Educated
Barrowsville	6-8	Mary E. Larkin, B.S., Ed. Acting Principal	1941	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
	3-4	Margret Mahoney	1943	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
	1-2	Dorothy L. Russell, B.S., Ed.	1941	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
	Drawing	Rowena B. Rice	1927	Worcester Art Museum
	Music	Alice M. Illingworth	1913	N. E. Conservatory of Music
Members of the teaching force on leave of absence for military service.		Capt. Robert C. Jackson, B.S., Ed. Hq. Btry 26th Div. Arty.	1938	Bridgewater State Teachers' College, Urbana Jr. College
		Lt. George F. Johnston, B.S., Ed. Hq. C. S. C. T. C. Tng. Div.	1938	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
		Capt. Henri Yelle, B.S., Ed. 103rd Inf. APO No. 43	1935	University of Dayton

**FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1943**

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

SALARIES

Moderator:	
Vinton I. Reynolds	\$25.00
Selectmen:	
Vinton I. Reynolds	200.00
John B. Scott	200.00
John G. Adair	200.00
Board of Public Welfare:	
Bernard Cabisius	150.00
W. R. LaChapelle	75.00
Lester M. Johnson	150.00
Vinton I. Reynolds	62.50
Treasurer:	
George E. Smith	550.00
Tax Collector:	
George E. Smith	550.00
Accountant:	
Arthur M. Freeman	550.00
Assessors:	
Leonard A. Witherell	400.00
William E. Fales	400.00
E. Francis Lemaire	400.00
Town Clerk:	
George E. Smith	175.00
Total	\$4,087.50

SELECTMEN'S EXPENSES

John B. Scott, Clerk	\$75.00
Bristol County Selectmen's Association, Dues	9.00
Taunton Daily Gazette, Advertising	6.15
Attleboro, Sun, Advertising	1.80
H. A. Goff, Register, Recording	4.06
Vinton I. Reynolds, Expenses	68.10
John B. Scott, Expenses	59.34
John G. Adair, Expenses	51.40
Total	\$274.85

ACCOUNTANT'S EXPENSES

Doris Durgin, Typing, etc.	20.00
The Ronald Press Co., Publication	6.14
Arthur M. Freeman, Expenses	79.40
Total	\$105.54

TREASURER'S EXPENSES

Doris Durgin, Clerical Work	\$353.50
Irene H. Seel, Fidelity Bond	72.00
George E. Smith, Executing Deeds	36.00
George E. Smith, Office Rent	50.00
Thomas W. Curran, Postmaster, Stamps	40.00
H. A. Goff, Register, Recording Deeds	25.10
George E. Smith, Expenses	65.66
Attleboro Print, Printing	8.86
Miscellaneous, Printing and Office Supplies	17.65
Total	\$668.77

TAX COLLECTOR'S EXPENSES

Doris Durgin, Clerical Work	\$280.00
Irene H. Seel, Fidelity Bonds	126.00
Thomas W. Curran, Postmaster, Stamps	167.00
A. W. LaFond Co., Tax Bills	64.70
William A. Potter, Deputy, Services	63.00
Howard A. Goff, Register, Recording	21.15
Attleboro Print, Printing	29.42
W. W. Gibson & Co., Printing	10.29
Robinson Seel Co., Inc., Supplies	11.89
George E. Smith, Executing Instruments	10.00
George E. Smith, Office Rent	50.00
George E. Smith, Expenses	23.20
Miscellaneous	9.67
Total	\$866.32

ASSESSORS' EXPENSES

M. M. Miller, Real Estate Transfer Cards	\$53.93
Ione E. Finnegan, Probate Records	2.20
The Davol Printing House, Printing	12.64
L. A. Witherell, Expenses	101.31
W. E. Fales, Expenses	120.28
Percy L. Hinds, Expenses	98.58
Total	\$388.94

TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSES

George E. Smith, Recording Fees	\$133.50
George E. Smith, Office Rent	50.00
Irene H. Seel, Bond	5.00
Miscellaneous, Printing and Office Supplies	10.25
Total	<u>\$198.75</u>

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Registrars:	
Albert F. Woodward	\$40.00
Homer L. Lane	40.00
Elwin F. Nason	40.00
George E. Smith, Clerk	50.00
Canvassing:	
Ole G. Seel	140.00
Ruth B. Murrey	49.50
The Davol Printing Co., Voting Lists	125.44
Sundry Persons, Services as Tellers	44.75
Frank Clapp, Posting Warrants	6.00
Robinson Seal Co., Listing cards, etc.	19.61
Senior Class, Norton High School, Typing	12.00
Hobbs & Warren, Supplies	6.30
Ruth M. Scott, Typing warrant	4.00
Total	<u>\$577.60</u>

LEGAL

Charles F. Gallagher, Process	\$19.80
Taunton Daily Gazette, Advertising	20.48
H. A. Goff, Register, Recording	4.06
Swift and Swift, Services	61.46
Total	<u>\$105.80</u>

TOWN HALL

W. R. Scott, Janitor	\$290.75
Norton Power & Electric Co., Service	98.59
Milton G. Perry, Repairs to furnace	22.30
Henry Ghio, Wood	24.00
W. C. S. Wood, Wood	17.00
Miscellaneous (Less than \$10.00 each)	29.07
Total	<u>\$481.71</u>

POLICE

Services:

B. B. Scanlon	
Services and Automobile Expenses	1,994 .00
Court Fees	217 .40
Carl H. Draper	82 .00
Mrs. Josephine Crowley	48 .50
Edward B. Allen	65 .00
William Tucker	9 .00
W. R. Scott	4 .00
Stephen Benaski	3 .00
Ralph Clapp	7 .00

Other Expenses:

B. B. Scanlon, Telephone	59 .62
Stephen Benaski, Dog Officer	24 .00
M. Bennett, M. D.	12 .00

Total

\$2,525 .52

FIRE

Salaries & Wages:

Harold L. Wetherell, Chief	\$1,828 .55
Harry Hewins, Clerk	25 .00
Volunteer Firemen	447 .50

Other Expenses:

Norton Power & Electric Co., Service, Station and Siren	50 .42
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., Service	104 .01
Foster's Garage, Rent	60 .00
Myron E. Briggs, Rent	60 .00
Sturdy Bros., Rent of land	25 .00
Maxim Motor Co., Extension Ladders	371 .25
Irving L. Dorr, Lumber	185 .00
Norton Center Garage, Gasoline, Repairs, etc.	65 .60
Foster's Garage, Repairs	136 .09
Gorham Fire Equipment Co., Supplies	50 .78
George E. Mandigo, Stone & Gravel	60 .00
Morse Sand & Gravel Co., Concrete	40 .00
E. J. Roberts, Gasoline	32 .71
C. J. Drane, Gasoline	16 .70
C. A. Baker, Oxygen	10 .10
Miscellaneous (Less than \$10. each)	28 .20

Total

\$3,596 .91

MOTH

Labor:

Percy Hatch	\$176.40
Carleton Ware	150.00
Clifford Casey	78.20
Lester Holmes	30.00
Noah White	43.20
Fred McHugh	33.60

Other Expenses:

Bernard Cabisius, Supervision	38.00
Norton Center Garage, Gasoline & Supplies	23.04
Ora A. Andrews, Registration	2.50
Sherwin-Williams Co., Supplies	6.86

Total	\$581.80
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FOREST FIRES

Oliver E. White, Sundry Persons, Fighting Fires	\$567.00
Oliver E. White, Gasoline	6.75
Francis G. Murphy, Garage Rent	30.00
Foster's Garage, Repairs	22.00
Norton Center Garage, Supplies	16.05

Total	\$641.80
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REFORESTATION

Labor:

Clifford Casey	\$34.00
Noah White	28.80
Lester Holmes	28.80
Percy Hatch	28.80
Fred McHugh	24.00
Miscellaneous	7.50

Total	\$151.90
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TREE WARDEN

Labor:

Albert Lincoln	\$40.80
Clifford Casey	34.20
Lester Holmes	24.00
Noah White	24.00
Fred McHugh	24.00
R. E. Sweet	18.00

Total	\$165.00 .
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SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Lewis Rubin, Services & Expenses	\$106.30
Robinson Seal Co., Supplies	3.58
Total	<u>\$109.88</u>

TOWN FARM REPAIRS

I. L. Dorr, Repairs	\$18.45
Total	<u>\$18.45</u>

BOARD OF HEALTH

Alphee Pelletier, Inspector of Slaughtering	\$100.00
Alphee Pelletier, Inspector of Animals	100.00
Elmer W. Clarke, M. D., Services	79.15
W. W. Becker, Milk Inspector	11.11
Lewis Rubin, Milk Inspector	38.89
Total	<u>\$329.15</u>

BRISTOL COUNTY TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

County Treasurer	\$2,158.33
Total	<u>\$2,158.33</u>

SCHOOL NURSE

Service	\$900.00
Total	<u>\$900.00</u>

HIGHWAY—CH. 81

Labor:	
Clifford Casey	\$1,299.65
Harold Woodward	156.00
Noah White	867.20
Eugene Pike	753.20
Lester Holmes	717.20
Fred McHugh	665.40
William H. White	340.20
Percy Hatch	225.60
Carlton Ware	220.80
Ralph Leonard	86.40
W. R. Scott	16.80
Miscellaneous	31.40
	<u>\$5,348.45</u>
	5,379.85

Other Expenses:

Koppers Co., Road Material	2,801 .77	
George E. Mandigo, Sand, Gravel, Rent of Equipment	1,637 .90	
Independent Coal Tar Co., Road material	1,446 .39	
Town of Easton, Use of trucks	49 .00	
R. E. Vickery, Stripping gravel bank	48 .00	
Mrs. A. D. Kenniston, Gravel	39 .10	
Town of Norton, Equipment Fund	1,415 .11	

Total	\$12,817 .12
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SNOW REMOVAL

Labor:

Clifford Casey	\$488 .61	
Harold Woodward	228 .00	
Lester Holmes	50 .40	
Eugene Pike	194 .55	
Noah White	189 .88	
Fred McHugh	87 .05	
Miscellaneous (Less than \$25. each)	101 .75	\$1,340 .24
Trucks	502 .51	

Other Expenses:

Foster's Garage, Rental of Sander	36 .00	
Town of Norton Equipment Fund	376 .75	

Total	\$2,255 .50
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EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT

Norton Center Garage, Gasoline, Supplies, etc.	785 .45	
Foster's Garage, Repairs	466 .21	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Service	45 .49	
Penn. Refining Co., Lubricants	32 .61	
Pratt Equipment Co., Repairs to Sweeper	29 .75	
William F. Flynn & Son, Supplies	24 .75	
Sundry Persons, Labor	69 .00	
Miscellaneous Expenses	71 .06	

Total	\$1,524 .33
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EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT—NEW EQUIPMENT

Foster's Garage, Road Sander	\$135 .00
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Total	\$135 .00
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STREET LIGHTS

Norton Power & Electric Co., Services	\$1,941.08
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Total	\$1,941.08
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HIGHWAY—CHAPTER 90—MAINTENANCE

Labor:

Clifford Casey	\$217.60	
Lester Holmes	120.00	
Eugene Pike	124.80	
Noah White	128.40	
Fred McHugh	117.60	
William H. White	48.00	
Carlton Ware	36.00	
Percy Hatch	48.00	
Arthur White	21.60	
Richard Owen	16.80	
Ralph Leonard	21.60	\$900.40

Other Expenses:

Coppers Co., Road Material	304.29
George E. Mandigo, Gravel	40.50
Mrs. A. D. Kenniston, Gravel	3.00
Town of Norton, Equipment Fund	251.80

Total	\$1,499.99
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BRIDGES & EQUIPMENT

Labor:

Clifford Casey	\$46.75	
Lester Holmes	27.00	
Eugene Pike	22.20	
Noah White	27.60	
Fred McHugh	27.00	
William H. White	22.20	
Carleton Ware	12.00	
Percy Hatch	16.80	\$201.55

Other Expenses:

Equipment Fund	18.75
Miscellaneous	42.09

Total	\$262.39
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PUBLIC WELFARE—ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Alice M. Rosequist, Services	\$1,463.00
Alice M. Rosequist, Expenses	178.57

N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Service	47.11
Attleboro Print, Printing	24.99
R. W. Fales, Oil	20.21
Miscellaneous	30.91

Total	\$1,764.79
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Note: The above total was charged to the following Accounts:

Town Appropriation	\$1,264.79
Federal Grant—O. A. A. Administration	450.00
Federal Grant—A. O. C.—Administration	50.00

Total	\$1,764.79
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PUBLIC WELFARE

Cash Aid:	
Sundry Persons	\$789.00

Groceries:	
J. G. Adair	30.75
Alger's Market	37.00
Norton Public Market	18.00

Board & Care:	
Sundry Persons	733.00

Medicine—Medical Attendance	
E. W. Clarke, M. D.	455.00
Sturdy Memorial Hospital	324.00
Morton Hospital	235.48
Miscellaneous	12.00

State Institutions:	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	301.21

Miscellaneous:	
Arlene Plunkett, Services, Clerk of	
Commissary	171.00
S. H. Foley, Funeral	100.00
W. R. Scott, Trucking	27.00
Roland Sweet, Trucking	20.00
Town of Falmouth, Aid	78.00
Miscellaneous	88.73

Total	\$3,430.17
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AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Sundry Persons, Cash Aid	\$2,297.69
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Total	\$2,297.69
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Note: of the above total, \$1,247.69 was charged to the Town Appropriation, and the balance, \$1,050.00 to the Federal Grant.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Sundry Persons, Cash Aid	\$30,523.12
Other Cities & Towns, Aid	1,086.35

Total	\$31,609.47
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Note: Of the above total, \$17,609.47 was charged to the Town Appropriation, and the balance, \$14,000.00 to Federal Grant.

SOLDIERS' RELIEF

Sundry Persons, Cash Aid	\$299.00
Dr. E. W. Clarke, Services	173.00
Miscellaneous	14.57

Total	\$486.57
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STATE, MILITARY AID

Sundry Persons, Cash Aid	\$127.50
Sturdy Memorial Hospital, Board & Care	32.00
Miscellaneous	3.50

Total	\$163.00
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SCHOOLS

Superintendent:

L. G. Nourse, Salary & Travel Allowance	\$2,500.00
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Teachers Salaries:

C. S. Randall	\$2,700.00
Helen J. Caffrey	1,750.00
Charlotie G. Harnden	534.32
Jean Findlater	1,600.00
William C. Morrison	212.50
Helen Doherty	1,440.00
Alta M. Estabrook	630.00
Loretta McHugh	1,798.00
Lucille A. Zwicker	1,355.00
Eleanor McLaughlin	850.00
Marie E. Gargan	492.75
Mildred B. Greene	1,400.00
Elizabeth Raymond	1,169.90
William Mahoney	1,280.00

Mildred B. Wetherell	1,300 .00	
Margaret T. Conlin	472 .82	
C. Lenore Roberts	506 .00	
Esther M. Bradstreet	1,400 .00	
Mary E. Larkin	1,270 .00	
Margaret Crouse	656 .25	
Margret Mahoney	530 .00	
Dorothy L. Russell	1,190 .00	
Alice Illingworth	890 .00	
Rowena B. Rice	850 .00	
Ruby B. Mitchell	440 .00	
Marion Fales	667 .00	
Esther Spencer	598 .00	
Marjorie C. Foster	145 .00	
Ruth Potter	110 .00	
Barbara F. Poe'Sepp	79 .75	
Miscellaneous (Less than \$50.—Each)	167 .00	
		\$28,484 .29
Books		705 .46
Educational Supplies		1,804 .51
Tuition:		
City of Taunton	\$358 .85	
City of Attleboro	195 .84	
County of Bristol	8 .29	562 .98
Transportation:		
Walter Barrows	\$2,882 .00	
Carleton Draper	1,880 .00	
H. W. Honey	1,435 .00	
		\$6,197 .00
Janitors' Services:		
John Helpard		
Fred Keene		
Charles Adair		
Walter Becker		
Thomas Gale		
Adelbert Lamothe		
		3,761 .20
Fuel & Light:		
F. E. Roach	1,847 .66	
Norton Power & Electric Co.	395 .67	
Taunton Gas Light Co.	85 .23	
Nels Stenfeldt	85 .00	
D. A. Manson	56 .00	
		2,469 .56

Maintenance & Repairs:

L. L. Dorr	775.60	
Brulin & Co.	296.79	
Pope & Read	280.06	
C. S. Randall	377.88	
J. L. Hammett Co.	117.84	
J. A. Clarner	82.11	
Brownell Hardware Co.	86.67	
M. F. Ellis & Co.	50.17	
Whitty Co.	75.92	
H. J. Dowd Co.	55.27	
Reynolds & Markman	53.41	
Miscellaneous	599.01	
		2,850.73

Furniture & Fixtures

Fines	67.50	
E. E. Babb & Co.	143.75	
Central Scientific Co.	57.75	
Miscellaneous	49.00	
		318.00

Miscellaneous:

E. W. Clarke, M. D., School Physician	200.00	
Norton Post, American Legion, Rent	140.00	
Irene H. Seel, Insurance	84.00	
Helen W. Gavin, Clerk of School Committee	50.00	
Mrs. Mabel Cutler, Clerical Work	285.27	
L. G. Nourse, Traveling Expenses	44.31	
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., Services	164.80	
Miscellaneous	191.69	1,159.07

Total		\$50,813.80
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SCHOOL—LABORATORY REPAIRS

Charles A. Randall, Labor	\$85.35	
Mansfield Lumber Co., Lumber	29.22	
Central Scientific Co., Equipment	26.99	
G. W. Partridge, Labor	21.00	
Miscellaneous	49.80	

Total		\$212.36
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GEORGE DEAN FUND

C. S. Harnden, Services	\$805.68	

Total		\$805.68
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LIBRARY

Norton Public Library	\$1,000 .00
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Total	\$1,000 .00
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CARE OF COMMON

Sundry Persons, Labor, etc.	\$42 .10
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Total	\$42 .10
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MEMORIAL DAY

Boston Store, Flags	\$63 .09
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Bruce the Florist, Flowers	5 .00
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Total	\$68 .09
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TOWN REPORTS

W. W. Gibson Co., Printing	\$466 .53
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Sundry Persons, Delivering Reports	18 .00
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Total	\$484 .53
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INSURANCE

E. M. Holmes Agency	1,353 .77
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Ora A. Andrews	866 .57
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Travelers Insurance Co.	184 .00
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M. M. Mondor, Notarizing	2 .00
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Total	\$2,406 .34
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COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Services	\$180 .71
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Lewis Rubin, Expenses	15 .94
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Vinton I. Reynolds, Expenses	15 .60
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Miscellaneous	18 .33
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Total	\$230 .58
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CEMETERY CARE

Labor:

F. W. Hatch	\$408 .75
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John McFarland	294 .95
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Edward Gwilliam	127 .75
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Eugene Pike	41 .10
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Sundry	150 .50
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Miscellaneous Expenses	60 .79
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Total	\$1,083 .84
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Note: Of the above total, \$250.—was charged to the Town Appropriation, and the balance, \$833.64, was reimbursed from the Cemetery Funds.

BAY ROAD LAND DAMAGE

D. M. Runge	\$100.00
L. Lincoln	100.00
Total	\$200.00

WATER DEPARTMENT

Administrative Expenses:

Leonard A. Witherell, Clerk	\$200.00
George E. Smith, Collector	200.00
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Service	75.18
Post Office, Postage & Stamped Envelopes	88.48
Fred Miller, Expenses	6.00

Labor:

Fred Miller	2,499.93
W. R. Scott	775.00
Eugene Pike	361.50
Joseph Camara	131.00
Lewis Moniz	30.00
Milton Perry	25.50
Sundry Persons (Less than \$10 each)	65.24

Other Expenses:

Norton Power & Electric Co., Power	2,357.64
Fuller & Barrowman, Ceiling at Pumping Station	298.00
Walworth Co., Valves, etc.	210.33
Norton Center Garage, Gasoline, Oil, Repairs, etc.	192.62
Corcoran Supply Co., Valves, Caulking lead, etc.	151.36
Pump Service Co., Installation of valves	110.47
Eureka Pipe Co., Pipe and Fittings	168.93
George A. Caldwell Co., Fittings & supplies	85.96
J. C. Pratt, Gasoline, Supplies, etc.	79.30
Morse Motors, Repairs	67.30
Electric Storage Battery Co., Batteries	62.01
Wm. F. Flynn & Son, Fittings & supplies	49.11
W. C. S. Wood, Coal	34.50
Platt Iron Works, Parts	31.19
C. R. Swaney Co., Parts	24.90
Swank, Inc., Used Water Meter	22.50
Vincent Ferrini, Welding	18.50
Miscellaneous (less than \$10. each)	73.72

Total	\$8,496.17
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INTEREST

Old Colony Trust Co., Water Loan	\$1,742.50
East Weymouth Savings Bank, High School Heating Plant	25.00
Total	\$1,767.50

DEBT

Old Colony Trust Co., Water Loan	\$4,000.00
East Weymouth Savings Bank, High School Heating Plant	1,000.00
Total	\$5,000.00

STATE & COUNTY TAXES

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:	
State Tax	\$1,950.00
State Parks & Reservations Tax	73.68
County of Bristol:	
County Tax	3,862.39
Total	\$5,886.07

DOG LICENSES

County of Bristol	\$894.40
Total	\$894.40

FIRE DISTRICT TAXES

W. C. S. Wood, Treasurer	\$3,732.01
Total	\$3,732.01

PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

George E. Smith, Treasurer	\$1,200.00
Total	\$1,200.00

REFUNDS

Poll & Property Taxes	\$25.28
Motor Vehicle Excise	5.63
Sundry	1.60
Total	\$32.51

H. HODGES FUND

Norton Public Library	\$60.60
Total	\$60.60

WITHHOLDING TAXES

Collector of Internal Revenue	\$2,261.80
Total Disbursements	

STATEMENT OF THE HICKS RESERVE FUND

Income from investments		\$5,523.07
Less:		
Administrative Expenses	\$330.58	
Discount on Securities Sold	208.31	
Transfer to Hicks Trust Fund	100.00	
Transfer to Town of Norton	100.00	738.89
Increase for the Year		\$4,784.18

INVENTORY DECEMBER 31, 1943

Cash	\$1,709.97
Attleboro Savings Bank	2,000.00
Norton Savings and Loan Association	10,500.00
Taunton Co-operative Bank	2,000.00
U. S. Savings Bonds Series F	50,074.66
U. S. Treasury 2½%	22,000.00
Boston Edison Company	5,000.00
Chi. Burlington & Quincy RR	5,000.00
Eastern Gas and Fuel Associates	5,000.00
Eastern States Refrigerating Co.	100.00
Gatineau Power Company	5,000.00
Great Northern Railway Co.	5,000.00
N. Y. N. H. and H. Ry. Company	3,000.00
Potter Realty Company	2,000.00
Southern California Edison Co.	5,000.00
100 shares Aetna Life Insurance Co.	4,000.00
28 shares Atch Top Sante Fe R. R. Co.	2,800.00
100 shares First Boston Corporation	3,875.00
200 shares First National Bank of Boston	9,025.00
400 shares National Shawmut Bank	10,575.00
40 shares Second Nat. Bank of Boston	5,480.00
100 shares Manufacturers Trust Co.	4,050.00
Total	\$163,189.43

GEORGE E. SMITH, Treasurer

TREASURER'S RECEIPTS

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Income Tax	\$16,013.86
Corporation Taxes	8,015.60
School Fund	9,016.19
Superintendent of Schools	1,151.62
Vocational Education	348.53
Tuition	180.84
English Speaking Classes	109.50
Salary of Milk Inspector	50.00
State Guard Uniforms	227.60
Snow Removal	60.00
Meal Tax	857.84
Director of Standards	28.00
Highways—Ch. 81	9,195.51
Highways—Ch. 90	999.99
Public Welfare	299.95
Old Age Assistance	13,439.04
Aid to Dependent Children	1,366.16
State Aid	224.00
Old Age Assistance—Federal Grant	14,557.04
Aid to Dependent Children—Federal Grant	1,105.04
George Dean Fund	1,080.00

George E. Smith Collector:

Rent & Personal Taxes	71,092.80
Poll Taxes	1,682.00
Motor Vehicle Excise	5,248.00
Fire District Taxes	3,719.13
Water Rates	20,344.39
Interest on Taxes	493.85
Interest on Motor Vehicle Excise	7.60
Poll Demands	15.05

Other Receipts:

Sundry Persons, Licenses	3,400.99
Sale of Pines Fund, Withdrawal	135.00
Town of Norton, Equipment Fund	2,096.41
County of Bristol, Highway, Ch. 90	999.99
County of Bristol, Refund of County Tax	.22
County of Bristol, Dog Fund	605.35
Sundry Persons, Redemption of Tax Titles	697.81
Other Cities & Towns, Welfare	766.83
Other Cities & Towns, Old Age Assistance	222.92

Sundry Persons, Dog Licenses	894.40
Henrietta Hodges Fund, Interest	60.60
Sundry Persons, Withholding Taxes	3,198.03
Sundry Persons, Perpetual Care Funds	1,200.00
Cemetery Funds, Care of Lots	833.84
Rent of Town Farm	400.00
Fines	192.14
Interest & Costs on Tax Titles Redeemed	53.95
N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. Forest Fire Damages	238.90
Interest on Equipment Fund	96.53
Old Outstanding Checks Returned & Cash	61.63
City of Boston, Tuition	59.22
Insurance Refund	53.08
Hicks Reserve Fund	100.00
Hicks Trust Fund, $\frac{1}{2}$ Income	48.00
Miscellaneous	34.77
Total	<u>\$197,380.54</u>
Cash Balance, Jan. 1, 1943	50,030.40
Total	<u>\$247,410.94</u>
Disbursed on Approved Warrants	165,810.00
Cash Balance, Dec. 31, 1943	<u>\$81,600.94</u>

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

Balances Jan. 1, 1943:		
Levy of 1938	\$107.13	
Levy of 1939	91.99	
Levy of 1940	240.14	
Levy of 1941	123.61	
Levy of 1942	285.63	\$848.50
Commitments—Levy of 1943:	5,368.05	
Refund	5.63	5,373.68
		<u>\$6,222.18</u>
Less:		
Collections	5,248.00	
Abatements	158.23	
	<u>5,406.23</u>	

Balances Dec. 31, 1943:

Levy of 1939	72.28	
Levy of 1940	208.30	
Levy of 1941	107.61	
Levy of 1942	74.41	
Levy of 1943	353.35	
		<u>815.95</u>

FIRE DISTRICT TAXES

Balances Jan. 1, 1943:

Levy of 1939	1.12	
Levy of 1940	2.08	
Levy of 1941	212.11	
Levy of 1942	652.12	
		<u>867.43</u>

Commitment—Levy of 1943

Refund	3,781.31	
	1.88	
		<u>3,783.19</u>
		<u>4,650.62</u>

Less:

Collections	3,719.13	
Abatements	10.61	
Adjustments	14.76	
Tax Titles	10.06	
		<u>3,754.56</u>

Balances Dec. 31, 1943:

Levy of 1941	6.75	
Levy of 1942	210.20	
Levy of 1943	679.11	
		<u>896.06</u>

GENERAL TAXES

Balances January 1, 1943

Levy of 1938	\$38.70	
Levy of 1939	77.90	
Levy of 1940	297.62	
Levy of 1941	4,731.93	
Levy of 1942	13,364.60	\$18,510.75

Commitments:

Polls	2,124.00	
Personal	5,624.55	
Real	64,061.73	
Additional 1942	16.50	
		<u>71,826.78</u>

Refunds	33.40
Payments not Assessed	18.00
Adjustment	15.97
Total	\$90,404.90
Less:	
Collections	72,774.80
Tax Titles	612.63
Abatements	887.47
	74,274.90
Balances Dec. 31, 1943:	
Levy of 1941	226.76
Levy of 1942	3,787.18
Levy of 1943	12,116.06
	\$16,130.00

TRUST FUNDS

SALE OF PINES FUND

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1943	\$4,984.55
Interest received	96.91
	\$5,081.46
Funds withdrawn	135.00
Bal. Jan. 1, 1944	\$4,946.46

WAR MEMORIAL FUND

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1943	\$340.43
Interest received	3.41
Bal. Jan. 1, 1944	\$343.84

LIBRARY FUND

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1943	\$2,000.00
Interest received	40.20
Bal. Jan 10, 1944	\$2,040.20

WATERMAN FUND

Balance Jan. 1, 1943	\$197.54
Interest received	1.98
Bal. Jan. 1, 1944	\$199.52

HICKS TRUST FUND

Interest & dividends received	\$96.00	
One half income to Town of Norton	48.00	
Balance available for cemetery care		\$48.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		100.00
Cash balance Jan. 1, 1943		61.82
Total		\$209.82
Paid for care and supplies	\$144.44	
Service charges bank	2.84	
		\$147.28
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1944		\$62.54

GEORGE E. SMITH, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

I submit herewith my report for the year 1943.

General

The following is a summary of the financial operations of the Town for the year 1943:

Appropriations Voted at Annual Town Meeting	\$130,905.19
State & County Taxes	\$5,449.46
State Assessment	16.00 5,465.46

Total Amount to be Raised	\$136,370.65
Less Transfers:	
From Excess & Deficiency Account	8,000.00
From Overlay Surplus	2,000.00

From Equipment Fund	1,125.00	
From Sale of Pines Fund	135.00	11,260.00
Total Amount to be Raised from Current Revenue		\$125,110.65
Poll & Property Laws Levied	\$71,676.15	
Overlay for Year	3,024.96	68,651.19
Estimated Revenue from other sources		\$56,459.46
Actual Revenue Received		83,961.23
Excess of Receipts over Estimates		27,501.77
Less 1943 Taxes charged to Tax Titles		543.03
Surplus Revenue for the year		26,958.74
Appropriation Balances Closed out		3,976.46
Total Surplus for the Year		30,935.20
Excess & Deficiency Account, Jan. 1, 1943		52,490.41
Tax Title Redemptions		697.81
Miscellaneous Credits		35.71
Total		\$84,159.13
Less:		
Transfer (see above)	\$8,000.00	
Tax Titles	69.60	
Miscellaneous Charges	1.60	8,071.20
Excess & Deficiency Account, December 31, 1943		\$76,087.93

Cash

The balance of general cash at December 31, 1943 was \$81,600.94 an increase of \$31,570.54 over the balance at the beginning of the year. No temporary loans were outstanding at either date, or at any time during the year.

Taxes

The amount of uncollected taxes was further reduced during the year. The status of these accounts for the past three years is shown below:

	December 31, 1941	December 31, 1942	December 31, 1943
Current year's taxes outstanding (percentage of total levy)	21.5%	18.5%	16.9%
Prior years' taxes outstanding (amount)	\$6,960.29	\$5,146.15	\$4,013.94
Motor Vehicle Excise Outstanding	1,147.80	848.50	714.17
Fire District Taxes Outstanding	953.63	867.43	896.06

Accounts Receivable—Water

Collections of water rates during the year were \$20,344.39, an increase of \$2,105.22 over the amount collected during 1942, and the balance outstanding at the end of the year was \$4,158.51, as compared to \$5,267.01 at January 1, 1943.

Debt

The bonded debt of the Town at December 31, 1943 was \$40,000.00, payable as follows:

Year	Total	Water	Center School
1944	\$5,000	\$4,000	\$1,000
1945-49 (Annually)	4,000	4,000	
1950-54 (")	3,000	3,000	

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR M. FREEMAN,

Town Accountant

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

	Balance Jan. 1, 1943	Appro- priation 1943	Receipts & Transfers	Total	Expended	Balance Dec. 31, 1943
General Gov't—Salaries		\$4,100.00		\$4,100.00	\$4,087.50	\$12.50
Selectmen's Expenses		275.00		275.00	274.85	.15
Accountant's Expenses		150.00		150.00	105.54	44.46
Treasurer's Expenses		735.00		735.00	668.77	66.23
Tax Collector's Expenses		900.00		900.00	866.32	33.68
Assessor's Expenses		400.00		400.00	388.94	11.06
Town Clerk's Expenses		275.00		275.00	198.75	76.25
Election and Registration		590.00		590.00	577.60	12.40
Legal		75.00	30.80	105.80	105.80	
Town Hall		600.00		600.00	481.71	118.29
Town Hall Plumbing	275.00			275.00		*275.00
Police		1,900.00	625.52	2,525.52	2,525.52	
Fire		3,620.00		3,620.00	3,596.91	23.09
Sealer of Weights and Measures		140.00		140.00	109.88	30.12
Tree Warden		175.00		175.00	165.00	10.00
Forest Fires		500.00	141.80	641.80	641.80	
Moth		600.00		600.00	581.80	18.20
Reforestation	400.00	135.00		175.00	151.90	23.10
Town Farm Repairs	229.30	100.00		329.30	18.45	*310.85
Board of Health		800.00		800.00	329.15	470.85
B. C. T. B. Hospital		2,158.33		2,158.33	2,158.33	
School Nurse		900.00		900.00	900.00	

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES—(Cont.)

	Balance Jan. 1, 1943	Appropri- ation 1943	Receipts & Transfers	Total	Expended	Balance Dec. 31, 1943
Highway—Ch. 81		5,700.00	7,125.00	12,825.00	12,817.12	7.88
Highway—Ch. 90	66.48			66.48		*66.48
Highway—Ch. 90—Maintenance		500.00	999.99	1,499.99	1,499.99	
Bridges and Equipment		300.00		300.00	262.39	37.61
Snow Removal		2,000.00	255.50	2,255.50	2,255.50	
Street Lights		1,992.36		1,992.36	1,941.08	51.28
W. P. A. Fund	259.02			259.02		*259.02
Equipment Account	959.55	1,000.00		1,959.55	1,524.33	*435.22
Equipment Account—New Equipment	919.50	125.00	10.00	1,054.50	135.00	*919.50
Public Welfare		4,800.00		4,800.00	3,430.17	1,369.83
Public Welfare—Administration		1,404.00		1,404.00	1,264.79	139.21
Aid to Dependent Children		1,540.00		1,540.00	1,247.69	292.31
Old Age Assistance		18,000.00		18,000.00	17,609.47	390.53
Soldiers Relief		650.00		650.00	486.57	163.43
State & Military Aid		400.00		400.00	163.00	237.00
Schools		50,856.00		50,856.00	50,813.80	42.20
Schools—Laboratory Repairs	230.85			230.85	212.36	*18.49
Library		1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00	
Care of Common		75.00		75.00	42.10	32.90
Memorial Day		125.00		125.00	68.09	56.91
Town Reports		484.50	.03	484.53	484.53	
Reserve Fund		2,000.00	(1,063.66)	936.34		936.34

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES—(Cont.)

	Balance Jan. 1, 1943	Appropri- ation 1943	Receipts & Transfers	Total	Expended	Balance Dec. 31, 1943
Insurance		2,500.00		2,500.00	2,406.34	93.66
Unpaid Bills—1941	20.00			20.00		*20.00
Committee on Public Safety	229.89	500.00		729.89	230.58	*499.31
Cemetery Care		250.00		250.00	250.00	
Bay Road—Land Damage		200.00		200.00	200.00	
Water		8,500.00		8,500.00	8,496.17	3.83
Water—No. Worcester St.	523.49			523.49		*523.49
Water—Washington St.	3,171.12			3,171.12		*3,171.12
Interest		1,875.00		1,875.00	1,767.50	107.50
Debt		5,000.00		5,000.00	5,000.00	
O. A. A.—Federal Grant			14,087.49	14,087.49	14,000.00	87.49
O. A. A.—Federal Grant—Administration	.38		469.55	469.93	450.00	19.93
A. D. C.—Federal Grant	83.41		1,057.09	1,140.50	1,050.00	90.50
A. D. C.—Federal Grant—Administration	9.68		47.95	57.63	50.00	7.63
George-Deen Funds			1,080.00	1,080.00	805.68	274.32
Totals	\$7,017.67	\$130,905.19	\$24,867.06	\$162,789.92	\$150,898.77	\$11,891.15

*Carried forward to 1944.

Parentheses indicate deductions.

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1943 and 1942

ASSETS	Dec. 31 1943	Dec. 31 1942	LIABILITIES	Dec. 31 1943	Dec. 31 1942
Cash:			Special Funds		
General	\$81,600.94	\$50,030.40	Pine Fund	\$4,946.46	\$4,984.55
Pine Fund	4,946.46	4,984.55	War Memorial Fund	343.84	340.43
War Memorial Fund	343.84	340.43	Highway Equipment Fund	4,982.73	4,011.32
Totals	\$86,891.24	\$55,355.38	Totals	\$10,273.03	\$9,336.30
Accounts Receivable:			Appropriation Balances	6,498.48	6,924.20
General Taxes	\$16,130.00	\$18,510.75	Federal Grants, OAA & ADC & George-Deen	479.87	93.47
Motor Vehicle Excise	714.17	848.50	Overestimate, State & County Taxes	\$3.30	
Fire District Taxes	896.06	867.43	Overlays:		
Water Rates	4,158.51	5,267.01	Balances	4,964.97	4,156.69
Public Welfare, O A A & A D C	182.29	3,328.82	Surplus	4,879.81	4,614.26
Tax Titles	3,027.93	3,723.64	Totals	\$9,844.78	\$8,770.95
Tax Title Possessions	2,478.51	1,224.44	Reserves Against Uncollected Revenue	11,457.47	15,259.84
State & County Aid to Highways	643.72	3,714.23	Surplus Revenue	76,087.93	52,490.41
Perpetual Care Funds	18.97	18.97	Withholding Tax Deductions	936.23	
Totals	\$28,250.16	\$37,503.79	Totals	\$115,581.09	\$92,875.17
Underestimate—State & County Taxes	439.69	16.00			
Totals	\$115,581.09	\$92,875.17			

BURIAL FUNDS

COMMON CEMETERY

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit Jan. 1, 1943	Interest Re- ceived	Expen- ded Care of Lots	Bal. Jan. 1, 1943
Alden	\$100.00	\$102.10	\$2.05	\$2.00	\$102.15
Arno, Saloni-us-Flora	75.00	76.20	.76	1.00	75.96
Arnold, Emelia K.	100.00	102.71	2.05	2.00	102.76
Barker, Alfred	100.00	103.43	2.07	3.00	102.50
Bernasconi-Drake	100.00	102.30	2.05	2.00	102.35
Blandin, Benjamin	50.00	51.09	.52	1.00	50.61
Braman, Isaac T.	100.00	102.17	2.05	2.00	102.22
Briggs, Alfred Allen	150.00	153.32	3.07	3.00	153.39
Briggs, Charles H.	100.00	102.52	2.05	2.00	102.57
Briggs, Charles L.-Kate R.	100.00	102.52	2.05	2.00	102.57
Briggs, E. Lyman-Ellen	100.00	141.52	1.42		142.94
Burgess, Thomas H.	100.00	102.71	2.05	2.00	102.76
Card, Thomas	100.00	102.51	2.05	2.00	102.56
Chase, William C.	100.00	102.38	2.05	2.00	102.43
Codding, Erastus-Susan	100.00	101.92	1.02	1.00	101.94
Colby, Alice Skinner	100.00	104.07	1.04	4.00	101.11
Collum, Harry J.	100.00	101.38	1.02	1.00	101.40
Cook and Boucher	200.00	204.14	4.10	4.00	204.24
Grossman and Hogan	200.00	200.00	1.33		201.33
Danforth, Henry G.	100.00	102.75	2.05	2.00	102.80
Danforth, Lemuel	100.00	102.24	2.05	2.00	102.29
Fiske and Eddy	200.00	203.34	4.08	3.00	204.42
Fiske, S. Frank & Frank E.	100.00	102.33	2.05	2.00	102.38
Fletcher, George	100.00	102.51	2.05	2.00	102.56
Forbes, William	50.00	51.76	1.03	2.00	50.79
Freeman, Charles A. (New)	100.00	100.50	2.01		102.51
Freeman, Edgar A.	100.00	101.64	1.02	1.00	101.66
Freeman, Henry S.	100.00	102.27	2.05	2.00	102.32
Freeman, Nathaniel-Sarah	100.00	102.27	2.05	2.00	102.32
Hall, Richard Henry	100.00	102.14	2.05	2.00	102.19
Hall, Richard Hutchins	100.00	102.11	2.05	2.00	102.15
Harvey, John J. -Herbert	200.00	208.46	5.18	8.00	204.64
Haskell, Geo. O.	100.00	100.00	.67		100.67
Hill, Jemima	100.00	102.14	1.02	2.00	101.16
Hodges, Anna E.	100.00	102.57	2.05	2.00	102.62
Hodges, Leonard M.	100.00	102.16	2.05	2.00	102.21

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit Jan. 1, 1943	Interest Re- ceived	Expen- ded Care of Lots	Bal. Jan. 1 1943
Hodges, William	300.00	318.14	6.39	18.00	306.53
Holmes and Benham	200.00	204.60	4.10	4.00	204.70
Hunt and Taipe	175.00	179.30	3.60	3.00	179.90
Inman	100.00	100.67	2.01		102.68
King, Mary B.	100.00	101.85	1.02	1.00	101.87
King, Philip B.	100.00	102.94	2.05	2.00	102.99
Lane, Alice-Ellen W.	100.00	102.78	2.05	2.00	102.83
Lane, A. D.-William A.	300.00	369.41	7.42	15.00	361.83
Lane, Captain Calvin	50.00	51.29	1.02	1.00	51.31
Lane, C. D.-O. H.	300.00	315.30	7.93	10.00	313.23
Lane, Elmer	150.00	154.06	3.09	4.00	153.15
Leonard, Everett R.	100.00	102.30	2.05	2.00	102.35
Leonard, Henrietta F.	5,000.00	5,079.58	84.31	*91.87	5,072.02
Leonard, Luen C.-Jacob A.	150.00	153.54	3.08	3.00	153.62
Lewis, Graciella	100.00	102.06	1.02	2.00	101.08
Lincoln, Effia M.	100.00	101.61	1.02	1.00	101.63
Messinger, Charles O.	150.00	151.32	1.52	1.00	151.84
Morey, Samuel Esq.	150.00	159.40	3.19		162.59
Palmer, Ephriam	100.00	103.27	2.59	3.00	102.86
Parker	100.00	109.92	2.20		112.12
Pearse, Edwin S.	150.00	153.05	3.07		156.12
Perry, George-Martha L.	100.00	103.17	2.07	3.00	102.24
Perry, Nathan-Phoebe	50.00	56.74	1.13	6.00	51.87
Pitts,	100.00	107.49	2.15	7.00	102.64
Reynolds, Clifford E.	300.00	301.00	6.05		307.05
Richmond, Benjamin H.	175.00	167.21	1.68		168.89
Richmond, Benjamin H. (2)	175.00	187.68	1.88		189.56
Rollins, Fred P.	100.00	102.93	2.05	12.00	92.98
Russell, John & Ada	100.00	100.00	.67		100.67
Scott, Charles H.	100.00	101.67	2.03	2.00	101.70
Shaw, George B.	100.00	101.76	1.02	1.00	101.78
Shaw, Horace	100.00	102.44	2.05	2.00	102.49
Shelly, Libeous	100.00	102.12	2.05	2.00	102.17
Smith, Almira	200.00	207.45	2.08	7.00	202.53
Smith, John Henry	100.00	103.46	2.07	3.00	102.53
Smith, Nathan	200.00	204.32	4.10	4.00	204.42
Smith, Nathan (2)	100.00	112.24	2.25	12.00	102.49

*Includes \$2.10 premium for U. S. Securities.

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit Jan. 1, 1943	Interest Re- ceived	Expen- ded Care of Lots	Bal. Jan. 1, 1943
Sweet, Frederick M.	100.00	101.06	1.00	1.00	101.06
Sweet, George B.	300.00	306.47	6.16	6.00	306.63
Sweet, Ival H.	100.00	102.39	2.05	2.00	102.44
Tinkham, Anthony-Arnold	150.00	151.84	1.50	1.00	152.34
Walker, Oren E.	100.00	102.23	2.05	2.00	102.28
Wetherell, C.-S.-C.B.	200.00	204.95	4.10	4.00	205.05
Wetherell, Frank	100.00	101.52	1.02	1.00	101.54
Wetherell, George	100.00	102.43	2.05	2.00	102.48
Wetherell and Kilburn	200.00	207.41	2.08	6.00	203.49
Wetherell, Lewis	100.00	102.35	2.05	2.00	102.40
Wetherell, Pliny	100.00	102.19	1.02	2.00	101.21
Wetherell, Stillman A.	100.00	101.48	1.02	1.00	101.50
Wheeler, Eliza W.	100.00	102.13	2.05	2.00	102.18
White, Sarah	100.00	102.58	1.03	2.00	101.61
Wilcox, Isac	50.00	51.21	.52	1.00	50.73
Wild, George W. Jr.	100.00	102.19	2.05	2.00	102.24
Woods, Herbert C. & Althea	100.00	101.00	2.03	1.00	102.03
Woodward, Barna	100.00	100.00			100.00
Woodward, Herbert	100.00	102.41	2.05	2.00	102.46
Wrigley, James L.	100.00	102.73	2.05	2.00	102.78
Common Cemetery	750.00	768.75	15.44	18.00	766.19
Funds added in 1943					
Totals	\$17,150.00	\$17,647.57	\$302.69	\$356.87	\$17,593.39

CENTER CEMETERY

Austin, Adelaide	\$100.00	\$102.16	\$1.02	\$2.00	\$101.18
Bean, Rev. Samuel	100.00	116.96	2.34	10.00	109.30
Blandin, Benjamin	50.00	51.18	1.02	1.00	51.28
Blandin, Jesse and Jesse	150.00	153.57	3.08	3.00	153.65
Blandin, William B.- Aurelia	100.00	113.74	2.85	8.00	108.59
Bosworth, Lucinda	100.00	114.18	2.29	7.00	109.47
Braman	250.00	473.59	9.51	49.00	434.10
Bruce, Charles S.	100.00	101.76	1.02	1.00	101.78
Busher, C. J.	100.00	102.71	2.05	2.00	102.76

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit Jan. 1, 1943	Interest Re- ceived	Expen- ded Care or Lots	Bal. Jan. 1, 1943
Carpenter, Danise	100.00	110.77	2.21	7.00	105.98
Carpenter, Ellen F.	200.00	238.58	4.78	10.00	233.36
Carpenter, T. P.-Mary V.	100.00	102.89	1.03	2.00	101.92
Carpenter, Thomas	100.00	106.54	2.13	4.00	104.67
Carver, Theodore C.	100.00	105.02	2.11	4.00	103.13
Clapp, C. Walter-Mary G.	100.00	103.36	2.07	2.00	103.43
Clapp, Charles G.	100.00	154.25	3.09	3.00	154.34
Cobb, Silas H.	100.00	116.25	2.91	8.00	111.16
Dean, Lewis B.	100.00	105.03	2.11	3.00	104.14
Draper, Samuel A.	200.00	210.38	2.11	4.00	208.49
Fortune, Walker & Harriet	100.00	102.51	1.03	2.00	101.54
Gale and Sowden	100.00	103.32	2.07	2.00	103.39
Goff and Knox	100.00	104.16	2.09	3.00	103.25
Goff, Silas R.-Roxanna	100.00	102.60	1.03	1.00	102.63
Hagerty, Charles	100.00	102.46	1.02	2.00	101.48
Hodges and Field	200.00	231.63	2.32	10.00	223.95
Hodges, Royal P.	100.00	109.34	2.19	4.00	107.53
Holmes and King	100.00	103.14	1.04	2.00	102.18
Hunt, Calvin M.	50.00	51.39	1.02	1.00	51.41
Jenkins, Willard	100.00	106.73	2.13	3.00	105.86
Kay, John	100.00	108.03	1.08	3.00	106.11
Lane, Gardner	50.00	51.87	1.03	1.00	51.90
Leonard, Virgil H.	100.00	100.00			100.00
Lewis, Calvin	100.00	104.14	2.09	3.00	103.23
Lincoln, Moses	100.00	109.69	2.19		111.88
Makepeace, D. P.	100.00	106.69	2.13	4.00	104.82
Makepeace, Lysander	100.00	102.24	1.02	2.00	101.26
Morse	75.00	89.98	1.79		91.77
Mott, Rev. Herbert H.	100.00	104.31	1.00	3.00	102.31
Oldfield, C. T.	200.00	279.88	5.61	5.00	280.49
Raymond, Ward	100.00	102.58	2.05	2.00	102.63
Russell and Chadwick	100.00	103.68	1.04	2.00	102.72
Shook, G. S.	100.00	102.34	2.05	1.00	103.39
Skinner	100.00	105.85	2.11	3.00	104.96
Sweet, Benjamin	150.00	265.17	5.32	6.00	264.49
Sweet, Cordana	100.00	104.10	2.61	2.00	104.71
Sweet, Herbert	100.00	115.82	2.31	4.00	114.13
Ware, Edward Everett	100.00	102.34	2.05	1.00	103.39
Willis, Loren B.	100.00	105.90	2.11	3.00	105.01

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit Jan. 1, 1943	Interest Re- ceived	Expen- ded Care of Lots	Bal. Jan. 1 1943
Wood, J. Stephen	100.00	103.81	2.07	2.00	103.88
Woodward, Harold S.	150.00	153.81	3.08	3.00	153.89
General Fund	100.00	150.56	3.02	34.42	119.16
Funds added in 1943					
Totals	\$5,625.50	\$6,472.99	\$113.43	\$244.42	\$6,342.00

BABBITT CEMETERY

Francis	\$200.00	\$205.41	\$4.12	\$5.00	\$204.53
Francis, Lorenzo H.	100.00	101.94	1.02	1.50	101.46
Smith, Seth	75.00	76.28	.86	1.00	76.14
Sumner and Knowles	100.00	101.07	2.03	1.00	102.10
Wilbur	100.00	101.14	2.53	1.00	102.67
Totals	\$575.00	\$585.84	\$10.56	\$9.50	\$586.90

TIMOTHY PLAIN CEMETERY

Copeland, John	\$100.00	\$104.87	\$2.09	\$4.00	\$102.96
Hayward, Betsy	2,000.00	2,190.49	124.07	*81.45	2,233.11
Leonard, Charles P.	100.00	102.64	1.02	2.00	101.66
Leonard, George H.	150.00	153.02	1.54	2.00	152.56
Newcomb, Harriot A.	2,000.00	2,229.79	45.60	*88.90	2,186.49
Robertson, Berenice	100.00	103.19	1.04	2.00	102.23
Wood, Catherine L.	100.00	105.52	2.11	4.00	103.63
Wood, Elkanah	100.00	103.00	1.03	2.00	102.03
Totals	\$4,650.00	\$5,092.52	\$178.50	\$186.35	\$5,084.67

*Includes Accrued Int. on bond purchased.

WOODWARD CEMETERY

Willis, Lewis H.	\$150.00	\$187.65	\$3.76	\$7.00	\$184.41
Woodward, Cynthia	15.00	156.53	3.14	4.50	155.17
Woodward, Frederick C.	150.00	150.50	3.02		153.52
Totals	\$450.00	\$494.68	\$9.92	\$11.50	\$493.10

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

CRANE CEMETERY

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit Jan. 1, 1943	Interest Re- ceived	Expen- edd Care of Lots	Bal. Jan. 1 1943
Crane, Calvin	\$100.00	\$104.37	\$2.09	\$3.00	\$103.46
Eddy, Daniel J.	300.00	300.00	.50		300.50
Leonard	100.00	102.25	1.02	2.00	101.27
Totals	\$500.00	\$506.62	\$3.61	\$5.00	\$505.23

WHITE CEMETERY

White, Benjamin-Obera	\$150.00	\$239.32	\$4.80	\$11.00	\$233.12
Totals	150.00	239.32	4.80	11.00	233.12

WINNECUNET CEMETERY

Field, Lloyd A.	\$100.00	\$109.40	\$1.10	\$3.00	\$107.50
Lincoln, Willie S.	300.00	300.00	1.00		301.00
Whole Lot	1,010.00	1,053.71	26.49	23.50	1,056.70
Totals	\$1,410.00	\$1,463.11	\$28.59	\$26.50	\$1,465.20

GEORGE E. SMITH, Treasurer

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Bristol, ss.

To Frank A. Clapp or either of the Constables of the Town of Norton, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Norton to meet in the Town Hall in said Norton on Monday evening, the sixth day of March, 1944 at eight o'clock, then and there to act on the following articles; and you are also hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of the said Town to meet in the Town Hall in said Norton, on Monday, March 13, 1944 at 12 o'clock noon, to elect one Selectman, one Assessor, one member of the Board of Water Commissioners, one member of the School Committee, one member of the Board of Public Welfare, each for a term of three years and one member of the Board of Water Commissioners for a term of one year, also a Town Clerk, a Treasurer, a Collector of Taxes, and one or more Constables, a Tree Warden, and a Moderator, all to serve one year. The Polls may be closed at 8 o'clock P.M.

Article 1. To choose all other town officers required by law, and not provided for on the ballot.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will vote to accept the report of the Town Officers.

Art. 3. To determine the salaries of the Town Officials for the ensuing year in accordance with Chapter 41, Sec. 108, General Laws, viz.: Town Clerk, Treasurer, Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Assessors, Collector of Taxes, Moderator, Tree Warden, Constables, Water Commissioners and School Committee.

Art. 4. To raise and appropriate money to defray the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year.

(a) For repairs and improvements of roads.

(b) For repairs and improvements of bridges and railings and other necessary tools and equipment.

(c) For the support of schools, school supplies, transportation, Vocational Education, salary of the Superintendent, School Physician, Attendance Officers and Repairs.

(d) For the maintenance and operating expenses of the Water Department.

(e) For the support of the Public Library.

(f) For Memorial Day Exercises.

- (g) For the care and repairs of the Common at the Center.
- (h) For the maintenance and running expenses of the Fire Department.
- (i) For payment of State and Military Aid.
- (j) For payment of Soldiers' Relief.
- (k) For Public Welfare and Aid to Dependent Children.
- (l) For the expense of the Board of Health.
- (m) For payment of Town Debt.
- (n) For interest on Town Debt and Temporary Loans.
- (o) For the expense and Prevention of Forest Fires.
- (p) For the expense of the Police Department.
- (q) For the expense of the Tree Warden.
- (r) For the expense of the Town Hall.
- (s) For registration and election expenses, including salaries.
- (t) For General Government including salaries and expenses of the following Town Officers: Town Clerk, Treasurer, Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Assessors, Collector of Taxes, Accountant, and Moderator.
- (u) For an appropriation in pursuance of Chapter 436, Acts of 1936, (Old Age Assistance Law.)
- (v) For the expense of the Sealer of Weights and Measures.
- (w) For the printing and delivering of the Annual Town Reports.
- (x) For insurance of Public Buildings, Compensation Insurance and insurance of all Town Trucks including the Fire Trucks in accordance with Chapter 403 of Acts of 1936.
- (y) For the removal of snow.
- (z) For the salary of a nurse for work in the Public Schools for the current year.

Art. 5. To raise and appropriate money for the suppression of the gypsy and brown tail moths.

Art. 6. To raise and appropriate money for the Town's proportion of the annual maintenance of the Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital.

Art. 7. To see what action the Town will take to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquor in the Town and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Art. 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1944 and to issue a note or notes

therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Art. 9. To raise and appropriate money for legal services.

Art. 10. To raise and appropriate money for street lighting.

Art. 11. To hear the report of the Committee on Reforestation, including repairs on the Town Farm, and take any action thereon.

Art. 12. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out the recommendations of the Reforestation Committee regarding Reforestation.

Art. 13. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out the recommendation of the Reforestation Committee regarding repairs at the Town Farm, to be expended under the supervision of said Committee.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize any Board of Town officials to appoint any of their number to any other office and fix the compensation according to Chapter 41, Sec. 4A, General Laws.

Art. 15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for a reserve fund as authorized by Chapter 40 of the General Laws, or take any action in relation thereto.

Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both under Chapter 90 for the maintenance of Chapter 90 roads in Town, or take any action in relation thereto.

• Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the surplus revenue to reduce the tax rate of 1944 subject to the General Laws.

Art. 18. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Machinery Equipment Fund to the Machinery Equipment Account for the purpose of repairing and operating road machinery.

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money to be used for the purposes of the Committee on Public Safety, under the provisions of Chapter 487 of the Acts of 1941; or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay certain bills under Section 64 of Chapter 44, General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the salary and expenses of the Dog Officer.

Art. 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the general care of town-owned cemeteries or take any action relative thereto. (By request of Cemetery Commissioners).

Art. 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for the purchase of war bonds or other bonds that are legal investments for savings banks, in order to establish a postwar rehabilitation fund, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Acts of 1943. (By suggestion of Henry F. Long, Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation).

Art. 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of establishing an additional source of water supply and to purchase the necessary pumping equipment or take any action relative thereto. (By request of Water Commissioners).

Art. 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water main along Mansfield Avenue as far as the property of Manuel D'Aguiar or take any action relative thereto. (By petition.)

Art. 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase defense bonds, war bonds, or other bonds which are legal investments for savings banks, in order to establish a post-war rehabilitation fund for the erection of a new school, in accordance with Chapter 5 of the Acts of 1943. (By petition.)

Art. 27. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money to purchase defense bonds, war bonds, or other bonds which are legal investments for savings banks, in order to establish a post-war rehabilitation fund for the erection of a new school, in accordance with Chapter 5 of the Acts of 1943. (By petition.)

Art. 28. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee to investigate the possibility of acquisition or construction by the town of facilities for the distribution of electricity. (By request).

Art. 29. To see if the Town will vote to give a deed of that part of North Worcester Street, now abandoned, caused by the straightening of said street, bordering on property occupied by Cora A. Jenks, to owners of said property, provided they will pay any and all expenses of said transfer. (By request.)

Art. 30. To see if the Town will vote to vacate and abandon existing casements, presently retained and held by the Town of Norton, in Washington Street, lying within that portion of Camp Myles Standish, situated within the Town of Norton, and close the said road and highway to public use, in accordance with request of military authorities of the United States of America.

Art. 31. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Health to enact and enforce a regulation requiring that any and all milk sold within the town be pasteurized, or take any other action relative thereto. (By request.)

Art. 32. To see if the Town will vote to re-name Washington Street, from Main Street to the Mansfield town line, North Washington Street and Washington Street, from Main Street to Camp Myles Standish, South Washington Street, or take any other action relative thereto. (By request.)

Art. 33. To see if the Town will vote to re-name Main Street, from Norton Center to the Easton town line, East Main Street, and Main Street, from Norton Center to the Attleboro city line, West Main Street, or take any other action relative thereto. (By request.)

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies of the body of the same at each of the public meeting houses and at least three other public places in said Town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Acting Moderator, at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this first day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

VINTON I. REYNOLDS,
JOHN B. SCOTT,
JOHN G. ADAIR,

Selectmen of Norton.

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ANNUAL REPORT

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TOWN OF NORTON



**For the Year Ending
December 31, 1944**

RECOMMENDATIONS of the FINANCE COMMITTEE for 1944

(Printed by the Selectmen under the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 60, of the General Laws.)

To the Voters of the Town of Norton:

The following report of recommendations of the Finance Committee is hereby submitted.

It is the result of careful study of the articles in the Warrant and the members were unanimous in their desire and purpose to relieve the taxpayer to as great an extent as possible and also to be fair to the various departments that their service be not hampered.

The Chairman wishes to thank the members for their interest and co-operation at the meetings that have been held weekly since early in January. It has been a pleasure to work with them.

THOMAS P. MANNING, Chairman
BENEDICT YELLE, Clerk

Art. 2. To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of the Town Officers. No action needed by the Finance Committee.

Art. 3. To determine the salaries of the Town Officials for the ensuing year in accordance with Chapter 41, Sec. 108, General Laws, viz.; Town Clerk, Treasurer, Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Assessors, Collector of Taxes, Moderator, Tree Warden, Constables, Water Commissioners and School Committee.

Town Clerk \$200.00, Treasurer \$600.00, Selectmen \$200.00 each, Board of Public Welfare \$150 each, Assessors \$500.00 each, Collector of Taxes \$800.00, Moderator \$25.00. Total \$4,175.00.

Art. 4.

(a) For repairs and improvements of roads—Appropriated in 1943 \$5,700.00; Recommended for 1944; \$5,700.00

(b) For repairs and improvements of bridges and railings and other necessary tools and equipment. Appropriated in 1943 \$300.00; Recommended for 1944; \$900.00

(c) For the support of schools, school supplies, transportation, vocational education, salary of the superintendent, school physician, attendance officers and repairs.

Appropriated in 1943 \$50,856.00; Recommended for 1944 \$54,981.00

(d) For the maintenance and operating expenses of the Water Department.

Appropriated in 1943 \$8,500.00; Recommended for 1944 \$8,300.00

(e) For the support of the Public Library.

Appropriated in 1943 \$1,000.00; Recommended for 1943 \$1,000.00

(f) For Memorial Day Exercises.

Appropriated in 1943 \$125.00; Recommended for 1944 \$125.00

(g) For the care and repairs of the Common at the Center (Library Square) Appropriated in 1943 \$75.00; Recommended for 1944 \$75.00

(h) For the maintenance and running expenses of the Fire Department.

Appropriated in 1943 \$3,620.00; Recommended for 1944 \$3,620.00

(i) For payment of State and Military Aid.

Appropriated in 1943 \$400.00; Recommended for 1944 \$300.00

(j) For payment of Soldiers' Relief.

Appropriated in 1943 \$650.00; Recommended for 1944 \$650.00

(k) For Public Welfare and Aid to Dependent Children. The Board of Public Welfare has furnished the following items;

Aid to Dependent Children	General Relief
\$1,540.00	\$4,000.00

Administration of Relief;
\$1,560.00

Appropriated in 1943 \$7,744.00; Recommended for 1944 \$7,100.00

(l) For the expense of the Board of Health.

Appropriated in 1943 \$800.00; Recommended for 1944 \$800.00

(m) For payment of Town Debt.

Appropriated in 1943 \$5,000.00; Recommended for 1944 \$5,000.00

(n) For interest on Town Debt and Temporary Loans. Appropriated in 1943 \$1,875.00; Recommended for 1944 \$1,650.00

(o) For the expense and Prevention of Forest Fires. Appropriated in 1943 \$500.00; Recommended for 1944 \$600.00

(p) For the expense of the Police Department. Expended in 1943 \$2,525.52; Recommended for 1944 \$2,500.00

(q) For the expense of the Tree Warden.

Appropriated in 1943 \$175.00; Recommended for 1944 \$175.00

(r) For the expense of the Town Hall.

Appropriated in 1943 \$600.00; Recommended for 1944 \$600.00

(s) For registration and election including salaries. Recommended—That each registrar receive the same amount as last year. Appropriated in 1943 \$590.00; Recommended for 1944 \$600.00

(t) For General Government including salaries and expenses of the following Town Officers:

	Salaries	Expenses
Town Clerk	\$200.00	\$275.00
Treasurer	600.00	700.00
Collector of Taxes	800.00	900.00
Selectmen	600.00 (200.00 ea.)	275.00
Assessors	1,500.00 (500.00 ea.)	400.00
Accountant	600.00	150.00
Board of Public Welfare	450.00 (150.00 ea.)	
Moderator	25.00	

Totals	\$4,775.00	\$2,700.00
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Note—The Committee has restored the pre-depression salaries of 1931.

(u) For an appropriation for Old Age Assistance. Appropriated in 1943 \$19,000.00; Recommended for 1944 \$18,000.00

(v) For the expense of the Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Appropriated in 1943 \$140.00; Recommended for 1944 \$140.00

(w) For the printing and delivering of the Annual Town Reports and Financial Recommendations. \$839.00
Recommendation to be based on bills presented at Town Meeting time.

(x) For insurance of Public Buildings, Compensation insurance, and insurance of all Town Trucks including the Fire Trucks.

Appropriated in 1943 \$2,500.00; Recommended for 1944 \$2,400.00

(y) For removal of snow.

Appropriated in 1943 \$1,500.00; Recommended for 1944 \$1,500.00

(z) For the salary of a nurse for work in the Public Schools for the current year.

Appropriated in 1943 \$900.00; Recommended for 1944 \$900.00

Art. 5. To raise and appropriate money for the suppression of the gypsy and brown tail moths.

Appropriated in 1943 \$600.00; Recommended for 1944 \$600.00

Art. 6. To raise and appropriate money for the Town's proportion of the annual maintenance of the Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital. This sum is charged to the town by the County.

Appropriated in 1943 \$2,158.33; Recommended for 1944 \$1,792.24

Art. 7. Regarding the suppression of illegal sale of intoxicants.

No action by the board.

Art. 8. The usual article that authorizes the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow

money from time to time, in anticipation of taxation or other revenue.

Voted to recommend that he be so authorized.

Art. 9. To raise and appropriate money for legal services. Appropriated in 1943 \$75.00; Recommended for 1944 \$150.00

Art. 10 To raise and appropriate money for street lighting.

Appropriated in 1943 \$1,992.36; Recommended for 1944 \$1,980.12

Art. 11. To hear the report of the Committee on Reforestation, including town farm repairs.

Art. 12. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out the recommendations of the Reforestation Committee regarding reforestation. Recommended for 1944 \$250.00. (From "Sale of Pines Fund").

Art. 13. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out the recommendations of the Reforestation Committee regarding repairs of the Town Farm, to be expended under the supervision of said Committee.

Recommended for 1944; \$350.00

Art. 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize any Board of Town Officials to appoint any of their number to any other office and fix the compensation according to Chapter 41, Sec. 4A, General Laws. Recommended the Selectmen appoint a clerk at a salary of \$75.00; Water Board appoint a clerk at a salary of \$200.00; School Committee appoint a clerk at a salary of \$50.00.

Art. 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for a Reserve Fund, as authorized by Chapter 40, G. L.

Recommended that \$2,000.00 be taken from surplus overlay for a Reserve Fund.

Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both under Chapter 90 for the maintenance of Chapter 90 roads in Town, or take any action in relation thereto.

Appropriated in 1943 \$500.00; Recommended for 1944 \$500.00.

Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the surplus revenue to reduce the tax rate of 1944 subject to the General Laws.

The recommendation of the Committee will be made at the time of Town Meeting, pending action of the Meeting on other articles of this Warrant, which may effect this Article.

Art. 18. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Machinery Equipment Fund to the Machinery Equipment Account for the purpose of repairing and operating road machinery.

Appropriated in 1943 \$1,000.00; Recommended for 1944 \$1,000.00

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used for the purposes of the Committee on Public Safety under the provisions of the Acts of 1941, or take any action relative thereto. The 1943 balance seems sufficient for the needs of 1944.

Art. 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay certain bills under Section 64 of Chapter 44, General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

No Committee action necessary on this Article.

Art. 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the salary and expenses of the Dog Officer.

Recommended that \$25.00 be the salary and \$50.00 for expenses.

Art. 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the general care of town-owned cemeteries or take any action relative thereto. (By request of Cemetery Commissioners). Recommended that \$500.00 be used on all the Town Cemeteries, in a planned outlay, that with annual Town appropriations, will bring these cemeteries to a better standard of care, together with the other Cemetery Funds.

Art. 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treas-

ury, a sum of money for the purchase of war bonds or other bonds that are legal investments for savings banks, in order to establish a postwar rehabilitation fund, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Acts of 1943. (By suggestion of Henry F. Long, Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation). Recommended that \$25,000.00 be taken from surplus, for the purchase of war bonds, in order to establish a postwar rehabilitation fund.

Art. 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of establishing an additional source of water supply and to purchase the necessary pumping equipment of take any action relative thereto. (By request of Water Commissioners).

Recommended that \$10,000.00 be taken from surplus for the purposes of this Article.

Art. 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water main along Mansfield Avenue as far as the property of Manuel D'Aguiar or take any action relative thereto. (By petition). Recommended that \$6,000.00 be used under this Article.

Art. 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase defense bonds, war bonds, or other bonds which are legal investments for savings banks, in order to establish a postwar rehabilitation fund for the erection of a new school, in accordance with Chapter 5 of the Acts of 1943. (By petition.)

The Committee makes no recommendation.

Art. 27. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money to purchase defense bonds, war bonds, or other bonds which are legal investments for savings banks, in order to establish a post-war rehabilitation fund for the erection of a new school, in accordance with Chapter 5 of the Acts of 1943. (By petition). The Committee makes no recommendation.

Art. 28. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee to investigate the possibility of acquisition or construction by the Town of facilities for the distribution of electricity. (By request). The Committee makes no recommendation.

Art. 29. To see if the Town will vote to give a deed of that part of North Worcester Street, now abandoned, caused by the straightening of said street, bordering on property occupied by Cora A. Jenks, to owners of said property, provided they will pay any and all expenses of said transfer. (By request). This is a usual request—no action by Committee.

Art. 30. To see if the Town will vote to vacate and abandon existing easements, presently retained and held by the Town of Norton, in Washington Street, lying within that portion of Camp Myles Standish, situated within the Town of Norton, and close the said road and highway to public use, in accordance with request of military authorities of the United States of America. No action by Committee.

Art. 31. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Health to enact and enforce a regulation requiring that any and all milk sold within the Town be pasteurized, or take any other action relative thereto. (By request). No action by Committee.

Art. 32. To see if the Town will vote to re-name Washington Street, from Main Street to the Mansfield town line, North Washington Street and Washington Street, from Main Street to Camp Myles Standish, South Washington Street, or take any other action relative thereto. (By request). The Committee was told this action would help locate fires by the Fire Department—no action was taken.

Art. 33. To see if the Town will vote to re-name Main Street, from Norton Center to the Easton town line, East Main Street, and Main Street, from Norton Center to the Attleboro city line, West Main Street, or take any other action relative thereto. (By request).

This Article was explained the same as Article 32—the Committee took no action.

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Frank A. Clapp

August 28, 1861 - October 8, 1944

Constable	1883-1944
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Deputy Sheriff (six years)	1896-1901
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Served in capacities of Highway Surveyor, Road Commissioner and Highway Superintendent	1885-1924
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Posted all Town Warrants	1890-1944
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Chairman of Town Committee from inauguration to	1944
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He served loyally, faithfully and well.

Truly a man who set the welfare of the Town before his own.

Norton misses him.

OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF NORTON

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER

George E. Smith

SELECTMEN

William J. Tucker	Term expires	1947
John B. Scott	" "	1946
John G. Adair	" "	1945

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Mabel A. Richmond	Term expires	1947
Bernard A. Cabisius	" "	1946
Lester M. Johnson	" "	1945

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Arthur M. Freeman	Term expires	1946
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ASSESSORS

Leonard A. Witherell	Term expires	1947
Percy L. Hinds	" "	1946
William E. Fales	" "	1945

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Ernest J. Knapton	Term expires	1947
Arthur L. Valentine	" "	1946
Bernice Freeman—appointed (for unexpired term of Helen Gavin)	Term expires	1945

WATER COMMISSIONERS

Bertram F. Fales	Term expires	1947
Leonard A. Witherell	" "	1946
Carleton H. Draper	" "	1945

COLLECTOR OF TAXES AND TOWN COLLECTOR

George E. Smith

REFORESTATION COMMITTEE

Joseph W. Crowshaw	Term expires	1947
Clifford E. Reynolds	" "	1946
Gertrude C. Milliken	" "	1945

CONSTABLES

Stephen Benaski
Frank A. Clapp
Ralph Clapp
Carlton H. Draper

George A. Nesbit
Milton Perry
Benjamin B. Scanlon
William R. Scott

MODERATOR

Samuel W. Thomas, 2nd

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Francis A. Hatch
Edward Gwilliam
William R. Scott

CHIEF OF POLICE

Benjamin B. Scanlon

DOG OFFICER

Stephen Benaski

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Leighton A. Foster—appointed to fill vacancy
Clifford E. Casey, resigned.

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Oliver E. White

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Clifford E. Casey

MILK INSPECTOR—SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Lewis S. Rubin

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS AND SLAUGHTERING

Alphee Pelletier

FIRE ENGINEERS

Howard A. Foster
Hollis Rand
Arthur Ross
Harold Wetherell

Albert S. Lincoln
George Richmond
Bert Wetherell
Oliver White

Harold S. Woodward

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Homer L. Lane	Term expires	1947
Albert F. Woodward	" "	1946
Elwin Nason	" "	1945

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Terms expire 1947

Samuel A. Carruthers	Lester M. Johnson
Lloyd T. Packer	Arthur Ross
John G. Adair	

Terms expire 1946

Oscar Bellavance	Arthur M. Freeman
Benedict J. Yelle	Arthur Wood
Fred C. Roach	

Terms expire 1945

Thomas F. Manning	Albert F. Woodward
Clifford E. Reynolds	Henry I. Shaw
Kenneth MacLeod	

REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE OF OFFICIALS

ASSESSORS	Town Hall
Second Monday each month 8 P. M.	

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE	Town Hall
Friday preceding first Monday and Wednesday preceding third Thursday each month 8 P. M.	

SCHOOL COMMITTEE	High School
Last Monday of each month 7:30 P. M.	

SELECTMEN	Town Hall
First Monday and third Thursday each month	

WATER COMMISSIONERS	Town Hall
First Tuesday of each month 7:30 P. M.	

SELECTMEN'S APPOINTMENTS

As Reported to the Town Clerk

Moth Superintendent	Clifford E. Casey
Superintendent of Streets	Clifford E. Casey
Chief of Police	Benjamin B. Scanlon
Dog Officer	Stephen Benaski
Cemetery Commissioners	Francis W. Hatch
	William R. Scott
	Edward Gwilliam
Inspector of Animals	Alphee Pelletier
Inspector of Slaughtering	Alphee Pelletier
Public Weighers	W. C. S. Wood
	Charles Tomase
	Arthur C. Wood
	Cecil T. Bailer
Burial Agent	Frederick E. Roach
Registrar of Voters for 3 years	Benedict J. Yelle
Milk Inspector	Homer L. Lane
Sealer of Weights and Measures	Lewis S. Rubin
Inspector of Petroleum Products	Lewis S. Rubin
Member of Reforestation Com- mittee for 3 years	Lewis S. Rubin
Fence Viewers	Joseph W. Crowshaw
	Arthur E. Sweet
	Benjamin B. Scanlon
Agent for Board of Health	Elmer W. Clarke, M. D.
Special Police	William R. Scott
	Bernard A. Cabisius
	William V. Flaherty
	Alfred S. Thornton
	Howard A. Richards
	Kenneth J. MacLeod
	Albert Pelletier
	George Nesbit
Industrial Accident Agent	Arthur M. Freeman
Special Police	Antonio S. Marshall
Special Police	Herbert Paddock
Forest Fire Warden	Oliver E. White

LIST OF JURORS

List of Jurors prepared July 1, 1944 by selectmen in accordance with general Laws.

Name	Occupation
Ashley, Winthrop A.	Druggist
Bartley, Edward D.	Electrician
Benaski, Stephen	Farm Superintendent
Blette, Peter H.	Farmer
Cabisius, Bernard A.	Petroleum Distrib.
Cabisius, Julius	Retired
Collette, Donald	Painter
Cutler, Arthur E.	Retired
Fitzgibbons, James C.	Jeweler
Freeman, Arthur M.	Accountant
Freeman, Carlos	Farmer
Gay, Walter A.	Jeweler
Janes, Clarence M.	Mill Worker
Johnson, Lester M.	Box Maker
Jordan, Clark E.	Mill Worker
Leonard, Alton T.	Finance
MacLeod, Kenneth	Farmer
Mowry, Harold D.	Mill Operative
Nason, Charles O.	Woodworker
Norteman, Raymond E.	Florist
Pelletier, Alpee	Retired
Regan, Charles J.	Plumber
Richmond, William R.	Foreman
Roy, Albert	Jeweler
Sanford, Arnold R.	Retired
Shaw, Henry I.	Retired
Spencer, Elwood E.	Farmer
Woodward, Horace C.	Machinist
White, Oliver E.	Box Maker
Yelle, Benedict J.	Carpenter

1944 JURORS DRAWN

January 7, 1944

Adelbert Lamothe—Mill Operator—Superior Court at Taunton, Monday, February 7, 1944 at 10 o'clock A. M.

Edward H. Schissler—Shipping Clerk—Superior Court at Taunton, Monday, February 7, 1944 at 10 o'clock A. M.

- Percy Hinds—Bookkeeper—Superior Court at Taunton,
Monday, February 14, 1944 at 10 o'clock A. M.
- February 2
Frederick E. Roach—retired—Superior Court at Taunton,
Monday, March 6, 1944 at 10 o'clock A. M.
- March 1
Herman Leroux—Mill Operative—Superior Court, Fall
River, Monday, March 27, 1944, 10 o'clock A. M.
- March 31
Arthur C. Wood—Grain Dealer—Superior Court at Taun-
ton, Thursday, April 20, 1944, 10 o'clock A. M.
- April 3
Ole G. Seel—Salesman—Superior Court at New Bedford,
Monday, May 1, 1944, 10 o'clock A. M.
- May 9
Lawrence Reinhard—Tree Surgeon—Superior Court at
New Bedford, Monday, June 5, 1944, 10 o'clock A. M.
- August 8
Alphee Pelletier—retired—Superior Court at Taunton,
Monday, September 11, 1944, 10 o'clock A. M.
- August 8
Bernard A. Cabisius—Garage Owner—Superior Court at
Fall River, Monday, September 25, 1944, 10 o'clock A. M.
- October 10
Charles J. Regan, South Worcester Street, Plumber, Superior
Court, Fall River, November 6, 1944, 10 A. M.
- November 6
William R. Richmond, Union Street—Fireman—Superior
Court, New Bedford, Monday, December 4th, 1944, 10 A.M.
- November 14
Edward D. Bartley, Electrician, Superior Court, Fall River
Monday, December 11, 1944 at 10 A. M.
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REGISTRARS' MEETINGS 1944

Meetings of the Board of Registrars were held as required by law on February 8—15—23—29. Nomination papers for town election were certified on February 23 for Selectman for 3 years, William J. Tucker, Moderator for one year—Samuel W. Thomas II; Water Commissioner, for one year, Stephen Benaski; Welfare Board for three years, John C. Alves, Mabel A. Richmond. Constables for one year, John Dumont, Chester

A. Thurber, George A. Nesbit, also Republican Town Committee and Democratic Town Committee.

At the close of registration the number of voters appearing on the lists were men, 921, women, 901—total 1822.

May 1, 1944. According to the registration lists the enrollment is as follows: Registered voters 1822—Democratic, 89, Republican, 674. Not enrolled 1059. Meetings of the Board preceding the State Primaries were held as required by law on April 25, May 2, May 9, and May 16.

On May 9th one nomination paper was certified for Vinton I. Reynolds Republican candidate for Representative in General Court, 2nd Bristol District.

On May 16th the Registrars met from 7 to 9 P. M. One name was added to the list of registered voters and seventeen nomination papers were certified as follows:

Republican

Frederic W. Cook—Secretary of State—75 Benton Road, Somerville

Horace T. Cahill—Governor, 60 Arborway Drive, Braintree
Leverett Saltonstall—Senator in Congress, 240 Chestnut Hill Road, Newton

Joseph William Martin Jr.,—Rep. in Congress 14th District, No. Attleboro

Wallace E. Stearns—State Auditor, 110 Gainsborough Street, Boston

Laurence Curtis—Treasurer and Receiver General, 15 River St., Boston

Robert F. Bradford—Lieut. Governor, 106 Coolidge Hill, Cambridge

Willard A. Ormsbee—Senator— 1st Bristol Dist., 110 So. Main, Raynham

Eben G. Townes—Councillor 1st Councillor Dist., 550 W. Elm St.

Rudolph F. King—Lieut. Governor, 163 Exchange St., Millis, Mass.

William P. McDermott—Rep. to Gen. Court 2nd Bristol Dist., Mansfield

Percy L. Hinds—Rep. in Gen. Court 2nd Bristol Dist., Norton

John D. Prescott—Rep. in Gen. Court, 2nd Bristol Dist., Mansfield

Albert F. Porter—Rep. in Gen. Court, 2nd Bristol Dist., Raynham

Democratic

Clifford C. Hubbard—Rep. in General Court, 2nd Bristol District, Norton

Vinton I. Reynolds—Rep. in General Court, 2nd Bristol District, Norton

Maurice J. Tobin—Governor, Boston

June 21st. Full Board met from 7 to 9 P. M. Nine registered; 4 men, 5 women.

October 4th. Full Board met from 7 to 9 P. M. Registered twenty voters and corrected the voting lists. (13 women, 7 men).

October 18th. Full Board met from 12 M. to 10 P. M. when 119 women and 45 men registered a total of 164.

The total count of the voters as per lists at the close of registration was 1762 names—852 men and 910 women.

GEORGE E. SMITH, Clerk

BURIAL LOT TRUST FUNDS—1944

January 5—Received from Winifred Austin, one hundred dollars to be added to the fund of Adelaide E. Austin, now existing making the amount of the fund \$200.00 in total.

February 10—Received from Mrs. Jesse Ridgeway, one hundred dollars to be securely invested by the treasurer and the income to be used for the perpetual care and upkeep of the Jesse Ridgeway burial lot in the Norton Common Cemetery.

May 8—Received of Mrs. Eliza Gardner, one hundred dollars to be securely invested by the treasurer and the income to be used for the perpetual care and upkeep of the Eliza Gardner lot in Norton Common Cemetery.

May 28—Received of Dr. Dent Williamson, one hundred dollars for a perpetual care trust fund to be known as the Williamson Fund—Lot located in Center Cemetery.

November 4—Received of Adelbert Britton, two hundred dollars for a perpetual care cemetery fund to be known as the Adelbert Britton Fund—to be securely invested and the income to be used for the care and upkeep of the Adelbert Britton lot in the Center Cemetery.

December 29—Received of Mrs. Fred Taylor, one hundred dollars, for a perpetual care cemetery fund to be known as the Fred R. Taylor Fund, the sum to be securely invested and the interest to be used for the care and upkeep of said lot in the Common Cemetery.

GEORGE E. SMITH, Town Clerk

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING—1944

Bristol, ss

To Frank A. Clapp or either of the Constables of the Town of
Norton, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Norton to meet in the town hall in said Norton on Monday evening, the sixth day of March 1944 at eight o'clock, then and there to act on the following articles: and you are also hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of said town to meet in the town hall in said Norton on Monday March 13, 1944 at 12 o'clock noon to elect one Selectman, one Assessor, one Member of the Board of Water Commissioners, one member of the School Committee, one Member of the Board of Public Welfare, each for a term of three years and one member of the Board of Water Commissioners for a term of one year, also a Town Clerk; a Treasurer, a Collector of Taxes, and one or more Constables, a Tree Warden and a Moderator all to serve for one year.

The polls may be closed at 8 o'clock P. M.

- Article 1 To choose all other town officers required by law and not provided for on the ballot.
- Article 2 To see if the town will vote to accept the report of the town officers.
- Article 3 To determine the salaries of the town officials for the ensuing year in accordance with Chapter 41 Sec. 108 General Laws viz: Town Clerk, Treasurer, Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Assessors, Collector of Taxes, Moderator, Tree Warden, Constables, Water Commissioners and School Committee.
- Article 4 To raise and appropriate money to defray the expenses of the town for ensuing year.
- (a) For repairs and improvements of roads.
 - (b) For repairs and improvements of bridges and railings and other necessary tools and equipment.
 - (c) For the support of schools, school supplies, transportation, Vocational education, salary of superintendent, school physician, attendance officers and repairs.
 - (d) For the maintenance and operating expenses of the water department.
 - (e) For the support of the public library.
 - (f) For Memorial Day exercises.

- (g) For the care and repairs of the Common at the Center (Library Square).
- (h) For the maintenance and running expenses of the fire department.
- (i) For payment of state and military aid.
- (j) For payment of soldiers relief.
- (k) For payment of public welfare and aid to dependent children.
- (l) For the expense of the board of health.
- (m) For payment of town debt.
- (n) For interest on town debt and temporary loans.
- (o) For the expense and prevention of forest fires.
- (p) For the expense of the police department.
- (q) For the expense of the tree warden.
- (r) For the expense of the town hall.
- (s) For registration and election expenses.
- (t) For general government including salaries and expenses of the following town officers: town clerk, treasurer, selectmen, board of public welfare, assessors, collector of taxes, accountant and moderator.
- (u) For an appropriation in pursuance of Chapter 436, Acts of 1936 (Old Age Assistance Law).
- (v) For the expense of the sealer of weights and measures.
- (w) For the printing and delivering of the annual town reports.
- (x) For insurance of public buildings, compensation insurance, and insurance of all town trucks including the fire trucks in accordance with Chapter 403 Acts of 1936.
- (y) For the removal of snow.
- (z) For the salary of a nurse for work in the public schools for the current year.

Article 5 To raise and appropriate money for the suppression of the gypsy and brown tail moths.

Article 6 To raise and appropriate money for the town's proportion of the annual maintenance of the Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital.

Article 7 To see what action the town will take to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquor in town and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 8 To see if the town will vote to authorize the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning Jan-

uary 1, 1944 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Sec. 17 Chap. 44 General Laws.

- Article 9 To raise and appropriate money for legal services.
- Article 10 To raise and appropriate money for street lighting.
- Article 11 To hear the report of the committee on reforestation, including repairs on the town farm, and take any action thereon.
- Article 12 To raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out the recommendation of the reforestation committee regarding reforestation.
- Article 13 To raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out the recommendations of the reforestation committee regarding repairs at the town farm, to be expended under the supervision of said committee.
- Article 14 To see if the Town will vote to authorize any board of town officials to appoint any of their number to any other office and fix the compensation according to Chapter 41, Section 4 A G. L.
- Article 15 To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for a reserve fund as authorized by Chapter 40 General Laws or take any action in relation thereto.
- Article 16 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the state or county, or both under Chapter 90 for the maintenance of Chapter 90 roads in town or take any action in relation thereto.
- Article 17 To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the surplus revenue to reduce the tax rate of 1944 subject to General Laws.
- Article 18 To see if the town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the machinery equipment fund to the machinery equipment account for the purpose of repairing and operating road machinery.
- Article 19 To see if the town will vote to transfer a sum of money to be used for the purposes of the committee on public safety, under the provisions of Chapter 487 Acts of 1941 or take any action relative thereto.

- Article 20 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay certain bills under Sec 64 Chap 41 or take any action relative thereto.
- Article 21 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the salary and expenses of the dog officer.
- Article 22 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the general care of town owned cemeteries or take any action relative thereto (by request of the cemetery commissioners.)
- Article 23 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for the purchase of war bonds or other bonds that are legal investments for savings banks, in order to establish a post war rehabilitation fund, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Acts of 1943 (by suggestion of Henry F. Long, Com. of Corporations and Taxation.)
- Article 24 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of establishing an additional source of water supply and to purchase the necessary pumping equipment or take any action relative thereto.
- Article 25 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water main along Mansfield Avenue as far as the property of Manuel D'Aguiar or take any action relative thereto (by petition.)
- Article 26 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase defense bonds, war bonds or other bonds which are legal investments for savings banks in order to establish a post war rehabilitation fund for the erection of a new school in accordance with Chapter 5 of the Acts of 1943 (by petition.)
- Article 27 To see if the town will vote to transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money to purchase defense bonds, war bonds or other bonds which are legal investments for savings banks, in order to establish a post war rehabilitation fund for the erection of a new school in accordance with Chapter 5 of the Acts of 1943 (By Petition.)
- Article 28 To see if the town will vote to authorize the moderator to appoint a committee to investigate the possi-

- bility of acquisition or construction by the town of facilities for distribution of electricity (by request.)
- Article 29 To see if the town will vote to give a deed of that part of North Worcester Street, now abandoned, caused by the straightening of said street bordering on property occupied by Cora A. Jenks, to owners of said property, provided they will pay any and all expenses of said transfer (by request.)
- Article 30 To see if the town will vote to vacate and abandon existing easements, presently retained and held by the town of Norton in Washington Street, lying within that portion of Camp Myles Standish, situated within the town of Norton, and close the said road and highway to public use in accordance with the request of military authorities of the United States of America.
- Article 31 To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Health to enact and enforce a regulation requiring that any and all milk sold within the town be pasteurized, or take any other action relative thereto (by request.)
- Article 32 To see if the town will vote to rename Washington Street from Main Street to the Mansfield town line, North Washington Street and Washington Street from Main Street to Camp Myles Standish, South Washington Street, or take any other action relative thereto. (By request.)
- Article 33 To see if the town will vote to re-name Main Street from Norton Center to the Easton town line, East Main Street, and Main Street from Norton Center to the Attleboro City line, West Main Street, or take any other action relative thereto.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies of the body of the same at each of the public meeting houses and at least three other public places in said town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the acting moderator, at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this first day of February in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred and forty-four.

VINTON I. REYNOLDS

JOHN B. SCOTT

JOHN G. ADAIR

Selectmen of Norton

RECORD OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, 1944

This meeting was called to order by the moderator at 8 o'clock P. M. as per Warrant. The town hall was filled far beyond the seating capacity, and a number of men voters and many interested spectators stood throughout the evening. Preceding the reading of the Warrant, those assembled arose for a moment as a tribute to those in the service and to those who have given their lives. The following were chosen by acclamation under

Article 1 Measurers of Lumber: Arthur E. Sweet, Daniel A. Woodward, Albert S. Lincoln, Francis J. Murphy, Oliver E. White.

Measurers of Wood: Arthur E. Sweet, Lewis B. Woodward, Walter C. S. Wood, Arthur C. Wood, Thomas A. Beaman, E. Clifton Becker, Oliver E. White, Albert S. Lincoln.

Pound Keeper: Julius Leonard.

Article 2 On motion of Lewis Rubin it was voted to accept the town report subject to typographic errors and Statutory requirements as may be found necessary.

Article 3 (And succeeding articles on which the finance committee had made recommendations, the motions were made by Thomas P. Manning, chairman of the finance committee.) Voted the following salaries for town officials for the ensuing year: town clerk \$200; treasurer \$600; Selectmen \$200. each; board of public welfare, \$150. each; assessors \$500. each; collector of taxes \$800.; moderator \$25. Total \$4,175.00.

Article 4

(a) Voted that \$5,700 be raised and appropriated for repairs and improvement of roads.

(b) Voted that \$900 be raised and appropriated for repairs and improvements of bridges and railings and other necessary tools and equipment.

(c) Voted that \$54,981.00 be raised and appropriated for the support of schools, school supplies, transportation, vocational education, salary of the superintendent, school physician attendance officers and repairs.

(d) Voted that \$8,300 be raised and appropriated for the maintenance and operating expenses of the water department.

- (e) Voted that \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the support of the public library.
- (f) Voted that \$125.00 be raised and appropriated for Memorial Day exercises.
- (g) Voted that \$75.00 be raised and appropriated for the care and repairs of Library Square.
- (h) Voted that \$3,620 00 be raised and appropriated for the running expenses of the fire department.
- (i) Voted \$300.00 for the payment of state and military aid.
- (j) Voted \$650.00 for the payment of soldiers relief.
- (k) Voted \$7,100 for public welfare and aid to dependent children.
- (l) Voted \$800. for the expense of the board of health.
- (m) Voted \$5,000. be raised and appropriated for payment of town debt.
- (n) Voted that \$1,650. be raised and appropriated for interest on town debt and temporary loans.
- (o) Voted \$600. for expense and prevention of forest fires.
- (p) Voted \$2,500 for expense of police department.
- (q) Voted \$175.00 for the expense of the tree warden.
- (r) Voted \$600.00 for the expense of the town hall.
- (s) Voted \$600.00 be raised and appropriated for registration and election including salaries.
- (t) Voted that \$4,775.00 be raised and appropriated under General Government for salaries of town officers and that

\$2,700 be raised and appropriated under General Government for expenses of town officers as per schedule as follows: (Restoring the salaries of 1931)

	Salaries	Expenses
Town Clerk	\$ 200.00	\$275.00
Treasurer	600.00	700.00
Tax Collector	800.00	900.00
Selectmen	600.00 (\$200. each)	275.00
Assessors	1,500.00 (\$500. each)	400.00
Accountant	600.00	150.00
Board of P. W.	450.00 (\$150. each)	
Moderator	25.00	
	\$4,775.00	\$2,700.00

- (u) Voted that \$18,000 be raised and appropriated for Old Age Assistance.
- (v) Voted for the expense of sealer of weights and measures that \$140.00 be raised and appropriated.
- (w) Voted \$839.00 for printing and delivering the annual town reports and for printing the recommendations of the finance committee.
- (x) Voted \$2,400 for insurance of public buildings, compensation insurance, insurance of town trucks and fire trucks.
- (y) Voted \$1500 for removal of snow.
- (z) Voted \$900 for salary of a nurse in the or for work in the public schools for the current year.
- Article 5 Voted that \$600. be raised and appropriated for suppression of gypsy and brown tail moth.
- Article 6 Voted \$1,792.24 for the town's proportion of the annual maintenance of the Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital.
- Article 7 Regarding the suppression of illegal sale of intoxicating liquors—dismissed from the Warrant.
- Article 8 Voted that the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1944 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17 Chapter 44 General laws.
- Article 9 Voted to raise and appropriate \$150 for legal services.
- Article 10 Voted to raise and appropriate \$1,980.12 for street lighting.
- Article 11 Under this article an extended and complete report of the progress of the town forest was read by Gertrude C. Milliken, Chairman. This report was accepted and the thanks of the townspeople extended.
- Article 12 Voted to appropriate \$250.00 from the "Sale of Pines Fund" to carry out the recommendations of the reforestation committee.
- Article 13 Voted to raise and appropriate \$350.00 to carry out the recommendations of the reforestation committee for repairs at the town farm, to be expended under the direction of said committee.
- Article 14 Voted that the selectmen appoint a clerk at a salary of \$75.00; that the water board appoint a clerk at a

- salary of \$200.00; that the school committee appoint a clerk at a salary of \$50.00.
- Article 15 Voted that an appropriation of \$2000.00 from the surplus overlay be made for a reserve fund.
- Article 16 Voted that \$500.00 be raised and appropriated to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the state or county or both under Chapter 90 for the maintenance of Chapter 90 roads in town.
- Article 17 Motion was made by John Scott to appropriate \$18,000.00 from surplus revenue to reduce taxation. Action on the article was voted deferred until action on certain later articles be taken. The arguments by several speakers were that it would not be good business to attempt to further lower the tax rate at a time when large sums were coming into the treasury through the distribution of income taxes, but at a later time when money was less plenty. After consideration of other articles, Article 17 was referred back and it was voted that \$8000 be appropriated from surplus revenue to reduce taxation of 1944.
- Article 18 Voted the transfer of \$1000.00 from the machinery equipment fund to the machinery equipment account for the purpose of repairing and operating machinery.
- Article 19 Voted that a balance of funds remaining at the disposal of the committee on public safety be used by that committee in 1944 as there appears to be sufficient.
- Article 20 Voted the sum of \$25.00 for the salary and expenses of the dog officer in 1943 under Section 64, Chapter 44, G. L.
- Article 21 Voted that \$25.00 salary and \$50.00 expenses be raised and appropriated for the dog officer in the current year.
- Article 22 Voted that \$500.00 be raised and appropriated for the care and upkeep of all the town cemeteries that with a planned outlay in conjunction with cemetery funds interest they may be brought up to a better standard. It was further voted that this sum be considered by the finance committee in making up their yearly recommendations of the town budget.
- Article 23 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a

sum of money for the purchase of war bonds or other bonds that are legal investments for savings banks, in order to establish a post war rehabilitation fund in accordance with Chapter 5 Acts of 1943; it was recommended by the finance committee that \$25,000 be taken from the surplus for this purpose. Samuel W. Thomas II moved to amend the article by striking out "post war rehabilitation" and inserting "school building" the motion to read "That the Town transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of \$35,000. to purchase 7.8% U. S. Certificates of Indebtedness in order to establish a postwar rehabilitation fund for school building in accordance with Chapter 5 of the Acts of 1943." This amendment brought about spirited discussion; the opposition being led by W. C. S. Wood. His argument was that although he was willing that the soldiers get the money but that the voters were "off the beam" if they thought that the purchase of bonds for school building would rehabilitate the returning boys. He believed in getting out of debt and staying out of debt; that the bonds might not be worth the paper they were written on. The contention of another speaker was that the school project was not a rehabilitation project.

Superintendent of Schools Laurence G. Nourse arose in defense of the motion, stating that he had absolute faith in his government; that the bonds are and would be sound investments, and that the federal government would find ways and means of taking care of the returning soldiers and that the Act of Chap. 5 was not designed for this purpose. Looking around the crowded hall with a hundred unable to find a seat Mr. Nourse declared there was need for a civic center and that a suitable auditorium for general town purposes could be combined with the school building and that the schools could be "more on the beam" with better facilities for vocational training. (Applause)

Samuel Thomas II speaking in defense of his motion and in answer to the arguments of Mr. Wood and others that war should be the first consideration, agreed that "war should be our first consideration—"these are the times that try men's souls" he quoted,

'and he who stands now deserves the praise of men and women.' but continued Mr. Thomas, "our gold star men Fillmore and Nesbit who died at the front, were not concerned with the tax rate, nor were they asked if they were willing to take a chance, but sacrificed their lives. These men were not 'sunshine' soldiers who objected to raise the tax rate to \$31.00 per thousand. During depression we stood for a tax rate higher than we have now, and we pulled through." (loud applause.)

Mr. John H. Quebman declared that first things should come first—"every parent wants to give his children the best education possible" he said, "because he wants his girls and boys to be good citizens. Setting aside money for this purpose now and letting it earn interest is good economy—a good business sets aside money when available, for something it wants to do."

Miss Clara Coyle, an educator, added that as a home owner who rents, she has had many letters from fine people who would come to Norton and pay taxes if schools were attractive. Dr. Ernest Knapton, a member of the school committee reminded the voters that if they planned to build a school after the war, to look at the present school building and conditions and speculate how long we could wait. "Parents will demand better school facilities," he added, "accidents may happen so that we shall be obliged to build a new school. It is not an expense."

Mr. Wood insisted that service men should come before schools—schools would be built for teachers and executives."

Mrs. Charles Baker replied that as a mother of a service man she considered Mr. Wood's remarks out of order. "Haven't we enough faith in our children to provide a new school for them?" she questioned.

Odias Guevremont added that as a veteran of the last war he realized nothing was done for returning soldiers; "Perhaps there will be this time," he said, "but though the boys come home crippled, they can work with their hands and a good school

with manual training courses that many other towns have, could train them."

The amendment moved by Samuel Thomas II was now put to vote with an undoubted majority voting in the affirmative and the amended motion was then put to vote and declared carried. There were no voices in the negative.

- Article 24 Under this article it was voted to take from the surplus the sum of \$10,000.00 for the purpose of establishing an additional source of water supply and to purchase the necessary pumping equipment.
- Article 25 Voted to raise and appropriate \$6000.00 to extend the water main along Mansfield Avenue as far as the property of Manuel D. Aguir.
- Article 26 Voted to dismiss this article from the Warrant.
- Article 27 Voted to dismiss this article from the Warrant.
- Article 28 Arthur M. Freeman moved that the moderator be authorized to appoint a committee to investigate the possibility of acquisition or construction by the town of facilities for distribution of electricity. Moderator Reynolds read a letter alleged to be from the Attleboro Steam and Electric Company intimating that this was not the proper time to take over. Assessor Leonard Witherell said that the tax rate of Attleboro Steam and Electric had not increased but they would have a higher valuation this year. The motion of Mr. Freeman was carried in the affirmative and Reynolds appointed the committee as follows: Bernard A. Cabisius, John B. Farrell, John B. Scott, Albert F. Woodward and Arthur M. Freeman. John Scott and Mr. Woodward declined to serve.
- Article 29 Voted to give a deed of that part of North Worcester Street now abandoned, caused by the straightening of said street, bordering on property occupied by Cora A. Jenks to owners of said property, provided they will pay any and all expenses of transfer.
- Article 30 Voted that the town vacate and abandon existing easements, presently retained and held by the town of Norton in Washington Street lying within that portion of Camp Myles Standish, situated within the town of Norton, and close the said road and highway to public use, in accordance with request of military authorities of the U. S. A.

- Article 31 Voted to dismiss this article from the Warrant.
 Article 32 Voted to rename Washington Street, from Main Street to the Mansfield town line, North Washington Street, and from Main Srtreet to Camp Myles Standish, South Washington Street.
 Article 33 Voted to re-name Main Street from Norton Center to the Easton town line, East Main Street, and from Norton Center to the Attleboro City line, West Main Street.

Finance Committee appointments were made by Moderator Reynolds for members whose terms expired the current year: John G. Adair, Lester M. Johnson, Lloyd Packer, Arthur Ross and Samuel Carruthers.

Meeting now adjourned to March 13, 1944 at 12 o'clock noon for election of officers.

Town election, 1944 adjourned from March 6 to March 13th.

March 13, 1944

Polls opened at 12 o'clock noon for balloting for candidates. Constable in charge of the ballot box was Benjamin B. Scanlon. Ballot clerks and tellers were Lena Whitaker, Arlene Plunkett, Lewis Rubin, Fred Miller, Percy Hinds, Leo Yelle.

Polls closed at 8 P. M., seven hundred sixty one ballots were registered. The counting and tabulation was finished at 1 o'clock A. M. Tuesday, and the result read by moderator Reynolds as follows:

Town Clerk for one year—George E. Smith		
Six hundred thirteen		613
Blanks—one hundred forty-eight		148
	Total	761
Town Treasurer for one year—George E. Smith		
Six hundred thirty-one		631
Blanks—one hundred thirty		130
	Total	761
Collector of Taxes for one year—George E. Smith		
Six hundred thirty-one		631
Blanks—one hundred thirty		130
	Total	761

Selectman for three years—Vinton I. Reynolds	
Three hundred	300
William J. Tucker	
Four hundred forty-four	444
Blanks—Seventeen	17
Total	761
Assessor for three years—Leonard A. Witherell	
Six hundred thirty-one	631
Blanks—one hundred thirty	130
Total	761
Board of Public Welfare—John C. Alves	
Eighty-four	84
Vinton I. Reynolds	
Two hundred ninety-eight	298
Mabel A. Richmond	
Three hundred thirty-four	334
Blanks—forty-five	45
Total	761
Water Commissioner for three years	
Bertram F. Fales	
Six hundred twenty-eight	628
Blanks—one hundred thirty-three	133
Total	761
Water Commissioner for one year	
Stephen Benaski	
Two hundred three	203
Carleton H. Draper	
Five hundred nine	509
Blanks—forty-nine	49
Total	761
Tree Warden for one year	
Albert S. Lincoln	
Five hundred ninety-six	596
Blanks—one hundred sixty-five	165
Total	761

Constables for one year—first eight elected

Stephen Benaski—four hundred fifty-eight	458
Frank A. Clapp—Five hundred fifty-four	554
Ralph Clapp—Four hundred thirty-eight	438
Carlton H. Draper—Six hundred eight	608
George A. Nesbit—Four hundred nineteen	419
Milton Perry—Three hundred sixty-five	365
Benjamin B. Scanlon—Five hundred twenty-five	525
William R. Scott—Five hundred sixty	560
John Dumont—Two hundred sixty-four	264
Antonio Marshall—Three hundred fourteen	314
Chester A. Thurber—Two hundred ninety-four	294
Blanks—one thousand, two hundred eighty-nine	1289

Total	6088
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School Committee for three years

Ernest J. Knapton	
Five hundred seventy-four	574
Blanks—one hundred eighty-seven	187

Total	761
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Moderator for one Year

Vinton I. Reynolds	
Three hundred twenty-five	325
Samuel Thomas II	
Four hundred six	406
Blanks—thirty	30

Total	761
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Town Committee for one year

Frank A. Clapp	
Six hundred ten	610
Bernard A. Cabisius	
Five hundred eighty-three	583
Arthur L. Valeninte	
Six hundred	600
Blanks—Four hundred ninety	490

Total	2,283
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GEORGE E. SMITH
Town Clerk

RESIGNATION OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBER

Whit Acres
Sarasota, Florida
April 15, 1944

Mr. George E. Smith
Town Clerk
Norton,
Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

Owing to the lack of definite plans for the future I wish to submit my resignation as a member of the Norton School Committee. It is with regret that I do this, as I have enjoyed the wonderful co-operation of the other members as well as Mr. Nourse and the teachers.

Respectfully yours,
Helen W. Gavin

APPOINTMENT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBER

Mrs. Bernice Freeman
South Worcester Street
Norton,
Massachusetts

Norton, Massachusetts
May 12, 1944

Dear Mrs. Freeman:

At a joint meeting of the Norton School Committee and the Norton Board of Selectmen held on May 11, 1944, in accordance with Sec. 11, Chap. 41 General Laws, you were elected to fill the vacancy on the Norton School Committee created by the resignation of Mrs. Helen W. Gavin. You are required to take the oath of office from the town clerk before entering upon your duties.

The law provides that you shall hold office until the next town election.

Signed:

E. J. Knapton, Clerk of the Joint Board
of School Committee, and Selectmen of
Norton.

(Mrs. Freeman took the oath of Office May 15, 1944)

GEORGE E. SMITH
Town Clerk

TOWN CAUCUS—1944

Town Caucus 1944 was called and held at the Town Hall in accordance with the provisions of law relating thereto, on February 9, 1944. About 30 voters attended and the following nominations were made:

Town Clerk for 1 year—George E. Smith, Mansfield Ave.

Town Treasurer for 1 year—George E. Smith, Mansfield Ave.

Collector of Taxes for one year—George E. Smith, Mansfield Ave.

Selectman for 3 years—Vinton I. Reynolds, Worcester St.

Member of Public Welfare Board—3 years—Vinton I. Reynolds, Worcester Street.

Assessor for 3 years—Leonard A. Witherell, Main Street.

School Committee 3 years—Ernest J. Knapton—Main Street.

Water Commissioner 3 years—Bertram F. Fales, Pleasant St.

Water Commissioner 1 year—Carlton H. Draper, Washington St.

Tree Warden 1 yr., Albert S. Lincoln, Plain St.

Constables (8) 1 year, Stephen Benaski, Pine Street

Frank A. Clapp, Clapp Street, Ralph Clapp, Taunton Avenue, Carlton H. Draper, Washington St., Antonio Marshall, So.

Worcester St., Milton Perry, Washington Street, Benjamin

B. Scanlon, Library Sq., William R. Scott, Taunton Avenue.

Moderator, Vinton I. Reynolds, Worcester Street

Town Committee: Frank A. Clapp, Bernard A. Cabisius, Arthur L. Valentine.

Frank A. Clapp was elected Presiding Officer and George E. Smith Secretary of the Caucus. It was voted that in case of death, withdrawal or ineligibility of the candidate or candidates so nominated, the vacancy or vacancies be filled by the Town Committee. The Caucus was called at 8 o'clock P.M., and adjourned at 8:30 P. M.

GEORGE E. SMITH,
Clerk.

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

To the Board of Selectmen

Gentlemen:

Following is my report for the period ending December 31, 1944:

Complaints investigated	68
Dogs destroyed	28
Notices to delinquent owners sent	64

Signed:

STEPHEN BENASKI

Dog Officer

DOGS LICENSED IN NORTON 1944

	M	F	S		M	F	S
Andrews, George E.	—	1	—	Blette, Peter	1	1	—
Alger, Natalie	1	—	—	Brown, Everett	1	—	—
Ash, Charles P.	1	—	—	Bernheimer, Paul	2	1	—
Angus, Cecil C.	1	—	—	Bauza, John	2	—	—
Adair, J. Russell	—	—	1	Butts, Chester	—	—	1
Abrahamson, Gustave	1	—	—	Bryant, Thomas	1	—	—
Atwood, Eleazer	1	—	—	Brown, Joseph	—	—	2
Alves, John C.	1	—	—				
Anderson, Einar	—	—	1	Curtis, John	1	—	—
Ashton, Helen	—	—	1	Cady, Priscilla	1	—	—
Alpert, Samuel	1	—	—	Clapp, Frank A.	—	1	—
Armstrong, Fred	1	—	—	Cail, James	1	—	—
Allen, Joseph	1	—	—	Clapp, Charles	—	1	—
Adams, Gladys	—	—	1	Clapp, Louise	1	—	—
				Charette, Oscar	1	—	—
Bryson, Mathew	1	—	—	Collette, Donalt	—	1	—
Bradstreet, Esther	—	—	1	Clarke, Elmer	—	1	—
Bump, Frank	1	—	—	Catelli, Leone	2	—	—
Britton, Adelbert	1	—	—	Crowshaw, Joseph	1	—	—
Bennett, Elmer H.	1	—	—	Charette, George	2	—	—
Becker, E. Clifton	—	1	—	Cabisius, Julius	1	—	—
Blanding, Edward	—	—	1	Cabana, Ephriam	1	—	—
Bolton, Flora	1	—	—	Campbell, Marcus	1	—	—
Balfour, Lloyd	2	—	—	Carroll, Helen	1	—	—
Butler, Joseph	2	—	—	Corbeil, Emile	1	—	—
Boutelier, Donald	1	—	—	Collins, Kenneth	1	1	—
Bellavance, Oscar	1	—	—	Cosgrove, Jackie	1	—	—
Beaudoin, Aime	1	—	—	Choptovy, Mike	—	1	—
Brown, Oliver	1	1	—	Cheetham, Katherine	1	—	2
Baker, Natalie	1	—	—	Comins, Mrs. R. E.	1	—	—
Baker, Edna	1	—	—				
Brown, Armand	1	—	—	Dahlberg, Elna	—	—	1
Bliss, Winthrop	—	—	1	Dion, Henry	—	—	1
Burgess, Lees	1	—	—	Duisso, John	1	—	—
Brooks, Roy	1	—	—	Davis, Irving	1	—	—
Barros, Carmen	1	—	—	Doherty, Lena	1	—	—
Bliss, Flora	1	—	—	Downey, Rev. James A.	1	—	—
Brassier, Melvin	—	1	—	Dorr, Winthrop	—	—	1
Barron, John E. Jr.	—	—	1	Devlin, Patrick	1	—	—
Bergeron, Omer	—	1	—	Davis, Harold	1	—	—
Bellavance, Roland	1	—	—	Dawson, Fred	1	—	—

	M	F	S		M	F	S
Dee, William	1	—	—	Hallihan, Mildred	—	—	1
Dishler, Alice	1	—	—	Hathaway, George	—	—	1
Danforth, Albert	1	—	—	Hyland, Edward	1	—	—
Dion, Paul	1	—	—	Henning, Charles	1	—	—
				Hogan, John	—	—	1
Eddy, Carrie	1	—	—	Hubbard, Clifford	1	—	—
Edwards, Helen	1	—	—	Haskell, Alonzo	1	—	—
Eggers, Alice K.	1	—	—	Hardy, Joseph	3	—	—
				Harnden, James	—	1	—
Foster, Drusilla	1	—	—	Harrington, Cornelius	—	—	1
Fitzgerald, Maurice	1	—	—	Hewins, Mildred	—	—	1
Farrell, John B.	—	—	1	Harnden, Herbert	1	—	—
Foster, Howard	1	—	—	Hicks, Elbert	1	—	—
Fortin, Romeo	1	—	—	Hatch, Percival	1	—	—
Fales, Bertram	2	1	—	Holmes, Lester	1	—	1
Foster, Andrew	1	—	—	Hobson, Jack *	—	—	1
Fitzgerald, Joseph	2	1	—	Honey, Alice	1	—	—
Fitzgerald, John	1	—	—	Houde, Arthur	1	—	—
Fletcher, Charles	—	—	1				
Foster, Leighton	1	—	—	Jillson, Marguerite	1	—	—
Freeman, Arnold	1	—	—	Jennings, Herbert	—	1	—
Farris, Harold	1	—	—	Jones, William	—	—	1
Fenoff, Edward	1	—	—	Jacobs, George	—	1	—
Farr, Marian	1	—	—	Jones, Charles	—	—	1
Fernandes, Joseph	1	—	—	Johnson, William	1	—	1
Gredler, Rev. Hazel	1	—	—	Kanter, Marien	1	—	—
Gould, Frederick	—	—	1	Kilburn, Winford	—	—	1
Gardner, Sheldon	2	—	—	Keough, Edward	1	—	—
Garrity, John P.	1	—	—	King, Homer	—	1	—
Gonsalves, Peter	1	—	—	Kenniston, Arnold	1	—	—
Garrity, Donald	1	—	—	Kenniston, Ernest	1	—	—
Gunner, Kenneth	—	—	1	Knapton, Ernest	1	—	—
Grant, Harvey	1	—	1	Kingsley, William	—	1	—
Gorman, Napoleon	1	—	1	Keene, Benton	—	—	1
Gould, Douglas	—	—	1				
Gardner, Walter	2	—	—	Lamothe, Adelbert	1	—	—
Gay, Walter	1	—	—	Leonard, A. Lincoln	2	—	—
Gross, John	—	—	1	Leonard, Ernest	—	—	1
Ghio, Enrico	1	—	—	Leonard, Ralph	1	—	—
Gonsalves, August	1	—	—	Lincoln, Fred O.	1	—	—
Gonsalves, Frank	1	—	—	LaMarche, Jesse	—	—	1
Goff, Charlotte	1	—	—	LaCasse, Raymond	1	—	—

	M	F	S		M	F	S
Lawrence, Helen	1	-	-	McClosky, Harry	1	-	-
Larson, Albert	3	1	-	Mullens, Timothy	1	-	-
LaRosee, Harvey	1	-	-	McGarry, Arthur	-	-	1
Lemaire, Berta	1	-	-	Miller, Alice	1	-	-
Lincoln, Edith	1	-	-				
Leonard, Beatrice	1	-	-	Nesbit, George	1	-	-
LaPointe, Albert	-	1	-	Nowell, R. S.	1	-	-
Lane, Dorothy	2	1	-	Nourse, Lawrence	1	-	-
Lopes, Manuel	2	1	-	Nason, John	1	-	-
LaChapelle,	-	-	1				
LaPlante, Wilfred	-	-	1	Platt, Mary	-	-	1
Leonard, Irving	-	-	1	Packer, Lloyd	1	-	-
Lincoln, Albert	1	-	-	Paquette, Laurie	1	-	-
L'Amoureux, Louis	1	-	-	Paquette, George	1	-	-
				Paddock, Herbert	1	-	-
Miller, Fred	1	-	-	Parker, Thomas	1	-	-
Manchester, Mary	1	-	-	Patenaude, Nelson	1	-	-
Martin, Riga	1	-	-	Patriquin, Doris	-	-	1
Marshall, Antonio	1	-	-	Parker, Andrew	-	-	1
Miner, Joseph	1	-	-	Plante, Frederick	1	-	-
Mowry, Harold	1	-	-	Prichard, George	1	-	-
Metters, J. Wm.	1	-	-	Paulding, Bartlett	-	-	1
Mondor, George	-	1	-	Philips, Fred	-	-	1
Marvel, Edw.	1	-	-	Paradis, Fred	1	-	-
Murphy, David	1	-	-	Pino, John	1	-	-
Murphy, Francis	1	-	-	Prosky, Pauline	2	-	-
MacKinnon, Olive	1	-	-	Pelletier, Albert	1	-	-
MacPherson, Donald	1	-	-	Perry, Milton	1	-	-
McMahon, Mrs. J. R.	1	-	-	Pineo, Arnold	2	-	-
MacKinlay, Roy	1	-	-	Plante, Wilfred	1	-	-
McHugh, Fred	-	-	1				
Monk, Frank	1	1	-	Reynolds, Clifford	1	-	-
Murray, Lane	1	-	-	Roy, Neree	1	-	-
MacFarlane, John	2	-	-	Ridgeway, Mrs. Jesse	-	-	1
Madeiros, Antonio	1	-	-	Ritchie, Bruce	-	-	1
Maslak, William	1	-	-	Roy, Eva	-	-	1
Morrill, John	1	-	-	Radnor, Andrew	-	-	1
McCaffrey, Jerome	1	-	-	Radnor, William	1	-	-
McMurrough, John	-	-	1	Russell, Harold	-	-	1
MacDonald, Margaret	1	-	1	Roberts, Edward	1	-	-
MacLeod, Kenneth	2	1	-	Rosequist, Alice	1	-	-
Macpherson, Donald	1	-	-	Rubin, Joseph	1	-	-
Mahar, Adolphus	-	-	1	Reynolds, Morris	-	-	1

	M	F	S		M	F	S
Rondeau, Joseph	1	-	-	Tucker, William	1	-	-
Ribeiro, August	1	-	-	Thomas, James	2	-	-
Robinson, Mae	-	-	1	Teixeira, Alexander	1	-	-
Richards, Howard	1	-	-	Tribou, Charles	1	-	-
Robello, Manuel	2	-	-	Teixeira, John	1	-	-
Read, John	1	-	-				
				Vashaw, Leonard	1	1	-
Stanley, Maud	3	-	-	Valquette, Oscar	1	-	-
Scott, Charles	-	-	1				
Shaw, M. Alice	-	-	1	Wood, Ethel	1	-	-
Smith, Herbert	-	-	1	Wheeler, Helen	-	-	1
Stark, Edward	1	-	-	Whitaker, Mrs. Sydney	1	-	-
Sprague, Alden	1	-	-	Woodward, Carlton	1	-	-
Sweet, Ernest	-	-	1	Winter, Herbert	3	-	-
Sinclair, John H.	-	-	1	Wentzell, Arthur	1	-	-
Shaw, George	1	-	1	Woodward, Edith	1	-	2
Sibley, Mrs. Alfred	1	-	-	Wilkinson, Stanley	-	1	-
Scanlon, B. B.	1	-	-	Woodward, Harold	1	-	-
Santos, Joseph	1	-	-	Woodward, Albert	1	-	-
Schissler, Edward	-	-	1	Waterman, Leslie	1	-	-
Stenstrom, Robert	1	-	-	Watson, Rose	1	-	-
Simmons, Homer	1	-	-	White, Vernon	-	2	-
Shaw, Susanne	-	-	1	Wiswall, Norman	1	-	-
Schurman, F. C.	1	-	-	Waite, Burton	-	-	1
Stearns, Leroy	1	-	-	White, Shirley	1	-	-
Stepanck, Philip	-	-	1				
Stepanek, John	1	-	-	Young, Robert	1	-	-
Spencer, Elwood	1	-	-				
Stenfeldt, Nils	1	-	-	Dog Transferred			
Syatz, Mrs. Hermine	-	1	-	Pino, Charles			
Sullivan, William	1	-	-				
Sweet, Roland	1	-	-	Kennel Lic.			
Schmid, Alexander	1	-	-	Ashley, Chester			
Shaw, John	1	-	-	Thomae, Charles			
Spencer, Burnett	1	-	-	Facey, Daniel			
Stevens, Oscar	-	-	1				
Small, Sabastian	1	-	-				
				Males	253		
Traviss, George	1	-	-	Females	32		
Thurber, Chester	1	-	-	Spayed	73		
Thurber, Laura	1	-	-				
Thomas, Samuel II	1	-	-				
Thibault, Leo	1	-	1				

GEORGE E. SMITH,

Town Clerk.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN NORTON IN 1944

Date	Name	Address
Feb. 4	Angelo Supino	Providence, R. I.
	Elisa Baldassare	Providence, R. I.
	5 Marion Leslie Thacker	Attleboro, Mass.
	Elizabeth Alma Fontaine	Attleboro, Mass.
	17 Robert H. Collins	Norton, Mass.
26	Helen S. Apsit	Norton, Mass.
	Martin Harold Slutsky	Attleboro, Mass.
	Ruth Frances Chase	Attleboro, Mass.
	Mar. 2 James E. Strother	Providence, R. I.
	Marion C. Campbell	Norton, Mass.
7	Arthur M. Richmond	Norton, Mass.
	Marjorie Eddy Woodward	Taunton, Mass.
	9 Ernest J. Smith Jr.	Ipswich, Mass.
	Dorothy Nancy Lawrence	Norton, Mass.
	22 Ralph W. Foster	Norton, Mass.
25	Marjorie Howard	Norton, Mass.
	Edward A. Lapointe	Attleboro, Mass.
	Emma M. Gobbi	Boston, Mass.
	Apr. 25 Homer John Perkins	Providence, R. I.
	Loretta Mary Brown	Providence, R. I.
May 7	Clement Joseph Adams	Washington, D. C.
	Edna Mae Robbins	Norton, Mass.
	May 8 Guido Grande	Providence, R. I.
	Olga Lancellotti	Providence, R. I.
	24 Charles Henry Drake, Jr.	New York City
June 3	Marjorie M. Rush	New York City
	Samuel E. Wright, Jr.	Easton, Mass.
	Emily Barboza	Norton, Mass.
	6 Vittorio Ciriello	Mansfield, Mass.
	Genevieve Mitchell	Jefferson City, Mo.
6	Willard Alton Palmer	Williamstown, Vt.
	Mary Carmen Gomes	Norton, Mass.
	24 George Pedini	Mansfield, Mass.
	Frances Haskell	Norton, Mass.
	29 Harold Emerson Thomas	Mansfield, Mass.
July 1	Jennie Frances Cardinute	Mansfield, Mass.
	Chester Valentine Sproul	Attleboro, Mass.
	Alice Catherine Hanney	Attleboro, Mass.
	5 James A. Campbell	Tampa, Florida
	Hazel Audrey Zabriskie	Sarasota, Florida

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1944—Continued

11	Henry T. Jacques	Pawtucket, R. I.
	Elizabeth M. South	Pawtucket, R. I.
27	Frank Nasise	Norton, Mass.
	Alice Malvinia La Branche	Taunton, Mass.
29	Paul Zupanick	Hartford, Conn.
	Mary Angelina Teixeira	Norton, Mass.
Aug. 20	Jack Hobson	Norton, Mass.
	Hazel V. Holmes	Norton, Mass.
25	Robert E. Smith, Jr.	Norton, Mass.
	Roberta M. Raynard	Easton, Mass.
26	William Charles Kingsley, Jr.	Norton, Mass.
	Priscilla Cady	Norton, Mass.
27	James R. Hadley	Norton, Mass.
	Modest Freeman	Boston, Mass.
Sept. 10	Domenic Buonauro	Van Dorn, Miss.
	Margaret De Santo	Providence, R. I.
Oct. 19	Edgar Courchesne	Norton, Mass.
	Rose Farris	Norton, Mass.
Nov. 23	Edmund R. Bouchard	Norton, Mass.
	Iris E. Brown	Norton, Mass.
30	Edward C. Lewis	Taunton, Mass.
	Pauline Petecki	Taunton, Mass.
Dec. 13	Maurice J. Corbett	Sampson, N. Y.
	Ethel K. Nason	Norton, Mass.
16	Russell T. Fitton	Cranston, R. I.
	Virginia V. Dunn	Apponaug, R. I.
16	Roland E. Heroux	Attleboro, Mass.
	Frances A. Warchal	Norton, Mass.
26	Benedict J. Yelle	Norton, Mass.
	Helen J. Caffrey	Norton, Mass.
30	Auguston F. Fernandes	Norton, Mass.
	Mary Gomes Rei	Norton, Mass.
31	Earl V. Knight	Attleboro Falls, Mass.
	Ruby M. Austin	Norton, Mass.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN NORTON IN 1944

Date	Name of Child	Sex	Names of Parents
Jan. 7	David Francis McCann	M	Leo A. & Phyllis (Bonney) McCann
12	Carroll Ann D'Angelo	F	Vincent J. & Annie (Pino) D'Angelo
13	William Arthur O'Boyle	M	William G. & Bertha (Kelley) O'Boyle
14	Nancy Julia Videto	F	Charles & Julia (Warchal) Videto, Jr
27	Patricia Ann Andrade	F	Anthony & Phyllis (Gonsalves) Andrade
30	Sharon Gene Monty	F	Austin & Nellie (Whitten) Monty
30	Maureen Ann McGrath	F	Francis & Mabel (Duffy) McGrath
Feb. 1	Susan FitzGerald	F	Joseph & Ruth (Milliken) FitzGerald
1	Albert Joseph Marien Jr.	M	Albert J. & Evelyn (Weeman) Marien
8	Courtney Gilbert Roberts	M	Aaron & Bertha (Boulton) Roberts
15	Jean Marie Robbins	F	John & Pauline (Waterman) Robbins
16	Judith Cecelia Johnson	F	Ernest & Florence (Canham) Johnson
24	Ruth Ann Courchine	F	Oscar & Harriet (Dingle) Courchine
26	Jean Ann Bonin	F	George & Annette (Lapointe) Bonin
29	Roger Stanley Gefis	M	Stanley & Gertrude (Shaw) Gefis
Mar. 29	Stillborn	F	
Apr. 7	Barbara Dorothea Robello	F	Manuel & Florence (Williams) Robello
9	Michael John Smith	M	John & Laura (Newcomb) Smith
11	Craig Edward Schissler	M	Edward & Dorothea (Grund) Schissler
21	Rosemary Pires	F	Anthony & Bemvinda (Fernandes) Pires
22	Susan Lee LaGreca	F	Angelo & Ida (Duissa) LaGreca
23	Susan Mary Regan	F	Charles & Dorothy (Schwerdtfeger) Regan
May 4	Nancy Jean Nason	F	Charles & Dorothy (Black) Nason
17	William Allen Alston	M	William & Pearl (Hadley) Alston
30	David Asath Gates	M	George & Olive (Nichols) Gates
June 4	Nancy Ann Thurber	D	Robert & Dorothy (Ward) Thurber
4	Jean Rei	F	Antonio & Eva (Orf) Rei
4	Charlotte Ann Warchal	F	Stefan & Muriel (Hunt) Warchal
13	Marie Vernon Tavares	F	Delmiro & Adeline (Galvin) Tavares
17	David Stephen Murphy, Jr.	F	David & Dorothy (White) Murphy

Date	Name of Child	Sex	Names of Parents
	22 Charlotte Elizabeth Dill	F	John & Charlotte (Goff) Dill
	25 Raymond Joseph Shea, Jr.	M	Raymond & Anna (Bartley) Shea
July	7 Carol Anne Salley	F	Gilbert & Blanche (Lussier) Salley
	12 David Peter Oliveria	M	Joseph & Viola (Drew) Oliveria
	12 Maurice George Leroux	M	Joseph & Marie (Carbenneau) Leroux
	15 Thomas Victor Pelletier	M	George & Margaret (Rochford) Pelletier
	23 Barbara Elaine Briggs	F	Stanley & Florence (Bellavance) Briggs
	25 Janet Jane Rich	F	Clarence & Virginia (Squadrilli) Rich
Aug.	11 Nancy Louise Hall	F	George & Althea (Woodward) Hall
	12 Anthony Joseph Madeiros Jr.	M	Anthony & Georgianne (Teixeira) Madeiros
	20 George Armand Plante	M	Wilfred & Mildred (Fredette) Plante
Sept.	7 Nancy Ann Miller	F	Gilbert & Marie L. (Gaudreau) Miller
Oct.	12 James Arthur Hecox	M	Richard & Marion (Johnson) Hecox
	14 Loring Arnold Holmes	M	Hollis & Ethel (Dawson) Holmes
	20 Joseph Arthur Robitaille Jr.	M	Joseph & Louise (Alves) Robitaille
	25 Carol Ann Comins	F	Roger & Josephine (Hibbard) Comins
	27 Alice Louise McCaffrey	F	Jerome & Alice (Budleman) McCaffrey
Nov.	14 Carole Anne Pritchard	F	George & Marion (King) Pritchard
	17 Judith Harlene Long	F	Harley & Ruth (Russell) Long
	28 Norman Champagne	M	Eugene & Mary (Destrina) Champagne
Dec.	2 Richard Leo Bellavance	M	Leo O. & Glorianna (Gullmette) Bellavance
	22 Irene St. James	F	Eugene & Eva (Rochette) St. James

GEORGE E. SMITH, Town Clerk.

DEATHS RECORDED IN NORTON IN 1944

Date	Name	Y	M	D
Jan. 2	Baby Boy Stoddard	—	—	6½
11	Charles R. Adair	43	10	7
19	Henry Hill Hamilton	83	—	29
21	Ethel E. Lincoln	66	—	—
23	Nellie Warchal	53	—	—
26	Walter Everett Metters	35	10	25
Feb. 3	Ada (Newton) Farr	75	5	25
3	Michael Dennis Gay	—	3	—
22	Eloise A. Gagne	77	—	—
23	Claudene (Gonsalves) Oliveria	68	—	—
24	———— Courchine	—	—	7 hrs.
Mar. 3	Ellen (Marley) Plunkett	82	—	—
8	Sarah Ellen (Potter) Chappel	92	9	9
11	Rose O. (Collette) Hamel	85	—	—
20	Elizabeth Grace Holmes (Barclay)	28	4	21
29	Stillborn	—	—	—
Apr. 1	James E. Nihan	27	—	—
3	Marie L. St. George (Tremblay)	57	—	—
9	Harold Lunn	8	6	21
15	Mary J. Jordan (White)	64	8	7
17	Richard Pineo	—	6	—
May 5	Sarah Spencer (Walker)	90	11	27
14	Lavina T. Greene (Cooper)	76	2	5
June 2	Alexander Thornton	55	9	24
3	Mary Charette (Desormeaux)	75	—	—
28	Charles N. Salley	39	2	2
July 2	Elbert C. Hicks	70	10	15
4	Wilfred E. Laliberte	53	2	24
10	Augusta Rei (Texeira)	39	11	20
14	George Harvey	7	—	18
Aug. 17	Luella A. Ritchie (Chapman)	69	9	18
19	Louis E. Callahan	58	2	29
Sept. 26	Exilpha Allard	48	1	18
26	Roland Lamarier	17	3	7
Oct. 8	Frank A. Clapp	83	1	10
13	Delia C. Coddling	78	7	21
15	Minnie M. Johnson (Thomas)	77	1	27
Nov. 10	Clarence F. Wiley	66	7	29
13	Matilda Andrews (Baril)	52	8	25
Dec. 9	Joseph A. Bottomley	75	2	29
11	Robert B. Jackson	75	2	27
20	Willis E. Peabody	79	10	16
22	Hollis G. Rand	86	—	28

GEORGE E. SMITH, Town Clerk

REPORT FOR REFORESTATION COMMITTEE

March 6, 1944

TOWN FORESTS:

In Massachusetts, one hundred twenty-seven towns have town forests with a total acreage of 38,500 A. This means the addition of one town since last year. A survey last fall showed that there are thousands of acres of forest lands now owned by towns, such as water-supply areas and tracts obtained through tax-titles, that are not under forest management. In Norton, the land at the water works has for some time been placed under the Town Forest Act, but the assessors reported in November 363 acres taken through tax-title which it might be well to consider for this purpose. After each war in which the United States engages, most towns and cities commemorate the services of their young men by erection of a war memorial. To this end, the suggestion that war memorial town forests be established seems well worth consideration. Some of our newspaper editorials have also suggested avenues of trees as memorials. Dr. Charles Eliot once said, "A forest is the most permanent form of memorial because it is self-perpetuating."

LUMBER SHORTAGE:

During the past year more attention has been given to the nation's supply of wood than at any other time in history. Chief Forester Lyle F. Watts says that this country is growing only about half enough timber to meet our post-war needs, and none toward the huge deficit which will exist in Europe. If we use up our reserve without providing for its replacement, we shall quickly be as bad off as continental Europe. During the 1943 session, our state legislature passed the "Forest Cutting Practices Act" for the regulation of forest cutting on private lands. This should help to prevent forest devastation on private property. It is thought that the small wood-lot will be an important factor in the forestry movement of the future.

DUTCH ELM DISEASE:

In the last report made by the Massachusetts Committee on Dutch Elm Disease eleven infected areas had been reported, and unfortunately these are at widely separated points. As the bark beetles are carriers of the disease, research is being carried on for the control of these bark beetles. Since woodpeckers are known to devour these bark beetles, an effort is being

made through the Massachusetts Forest and Park Association and the Audobon Society to carry out an experiment in Southern Berkshire County to build up the wood-pecker population, and to determine whether wood-peckers will cut down the bark beetle hordes. Because of reduced appropriations by public agencies and a general scarcity of men for field work, private agencies and individuals must assume a greater responsibility than heretofore. Circular No. 677 entitled "Dutch Elm Disease and its Control" may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. Your committee urges all owners of elms in the community to watch our elms, and to report any findings that are suspicious to the Dutch Elm Disease Laboratory at the Massachusetts State College at Amherst.

NORTON TOWN FOREST:

Further clearing and releasing of pines was carried out on the Plain Street tract and some burning of trash. During January, your committee spent an afternoon visiting all tracts of the town forest. The young pines on the Lincoln Street tract show a splendid growth, but need to be released by trimming around each tree, the scrub oaks, and other trash that is interfering with their normal development. There is also much to be done in the way of clearing on portions of the other tracts.

Expenditures: New appropriation	\$135.00	plus	
\$40.00 left from preceding year making a total of			\$175.00
Labor burning trash		\$7.50	
Labor releasing pines on Plain Street		144.40	
			<u>\$151.90</u>
Balance			\$23.10

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That this work of releasing young pines and clearing away trash be continued. In this connection, the committee would like to interest the Boy Scouts in helping in this work so essential to the making of a fine forest in the years to come.
2. That the district forester be called in this spring to go over the wood-lot on the north side of the road at the Town Farm. In the opinion of the committee some cutting of older pine trees may profitably be done at this time with the advice and supervision of our district forester.

3. That the land taken through tax-title in Norton be examined to determine if any such lands can to advantage be placed under the town forest act.

TOWN FARM REPAIRS:

Appropriation and balance		\$329.30
Repairing bulk-head, steps, etc.	\$18.45	
Repairing ceiling in kitchen, pantry, and walls in hall and bedrooms	23.85	
Work is now being done as follows:		
Pantry and kitchen walls painted two coats, ceilings whitened, hall and two bedrooms papered	125.00	\$167.30
Balance		\$162.00

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Back side of house and low connecting buildings shingled, and barn patched.
2. Minor repairs to floor, piazza, and lattice work. (1.) and (2.) work estimated by Mr. Dorr \$204.00.
3. Paint house one coat.

RECEIPTS:

House Rent:		
Mr. Lincoln—Current rent \$120.00 plus \$50.80 on back rent		\$170.80
Mr. Watson—Current rent		180.00
Land Rental		25.00
Total		\$375.80
Expenditures		167.30
Cash Profit		\$208.50
Rental in storage value to town at \$10.00 a month		120.00
Total Profit		\$328.50

Respectfully submitted,
 GERTRUDE CORNISH MILLIKEN
 Mrs. J. K. Milliken
 Chairman, Reforestation Committee

STORED IN BARN, 1944-45

1 Road Grader
1 Street Sweeper
1 Water Cart
3 or 4 Gravel Screens
1 Road Hone
Arsenate of lead—tramp house
Snow fence in the summer
Small articles
Cab for Tractor

**THE NORTON DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION
TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT**

Another year has passed and we continue with our services to the community. These services include: prevention and control of disease; health counselling; instruction; and care of the sick in their homes. All age groups in all economic and social circumstances are eligible for our service.

The nurse's day starts at 8:30 A.M. at the Center school.

She may be contacted there either in person or by telephone. Shortly after nine her day starts on the road. This year she drove a total of 7600 miles giving nursing care to the sick and health guidance to both the sick and the well.

Yes, visiting nurse service is your privilege if you are an owner of a Metropolitan or a John Hancock Life Insurance weekly or group policy. This year we made 54 visits to Metropolitan and 41 visits to John Hancock policy holders.

Two school girls enjoyed 10 days at Camp Wonderland in Sharon last summer. This camp is sponsored by the Salvation Army.

During the nurse's summer vacation Mrs. Nancy MacPherson ably maintained the services of the association.

With the help of Wheaton College Y.W.C.A. and the churches we were able to distribute several Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets to help gladden the holidays.

On January 1st Mrs. Margaret Stenstrom assumed the duties of the district nurse in Norton. She lives on Dean St. in Barrowsville (second house on the left past the Barrowsville school). Due to the critical shortage of materials the telephone company

is unable to install a phone in her home at the present time. However she may be reached by calling Norton 185 between 8:30 and 9:00 A. M. or a message may be left between 12 and 1:00 on school days.

Listed below are the statistics of nursing visits:

Total number of visits made during the year	1031
Non-Communicable	643
Crippled children service	6
Tuberculosis	25
Maternity	40
Newborn	25
Over one month	37
Pre-school children	58
School children	141
Adult	29
Unclassified	24

In closing I wish to express my grateful appreciation to all who have in many ways aided and contributed to our organization. May I at this time extend my best wishes for success to Mrs. Stenstrom the new district nurse.

Nowadays, with the health facilities of our country under heavy strain the Norton District Nursing Association's service is more important to you than ever.

Respectfully submitted,

MILDRED A. PAULDING, R. N.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER NORTON DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1944

Receipts

Balance on Hand January 1, 1944	\$1,901.05
Received during year:	
Nurse's fees	\$378.25
Town of Norton for School Nurse	
(\$450 still due)	750.00
Welfare	32.25

John Hancock Life Ins. Co.—fees	44.25	
Metropolitan Life Ins. Co.—fees	41.50	
Membership Drive, 1944	1,138.75	
Membership Drive, 1943	2.00	
Christmas Baskets, 1944:		
Wheaton Y. W. C. A.	20.00	
Refunds:		
Telephone toll calls—(nurse)	\$.70	
Books	9.00	9.70
Gift turned in by nurse		2.00
Wheaton Y. W. C. A.		40.00
Balance in Milk fund transferred from savings		17.00
Total Receipts from all sources		\$2,475.70
		\$4,376.73

Disbursements

Paid during year:

Salary of nurse	\$1,169.00	
Substitute nurse	180.00	
Withholding tax	296.00	
Nurse's supplies and expense bills	37.56	
Automobile expense	217.30	
Garage rent	40.00	
Office and organization expenses	59.38	
Telephone	32.76	
Christmas baskets (1943)	37.55	
Total disbursements		\$2,069.55
Balance on hand January 1, 1945		2,307.18
		\$4,376.73

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN J. YELLE,
Treasurer

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Richards, Mrs.
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President's Report for 1944

As I look back on my reports as President of the Library Board for the past three years I see that there will be much repetition in this one. The world war continues; and the Library shares with every other enterprise the unnatural conditions which surround us all. The fuel shortage continues. We have not yet in this severe and icy winter cut the customary hours of service, though we have as before closed the Periodical Room to conserve fuel. On certain Wednesday evenings when the building is already warm, the Library affords a meeting place for the governing committee of the Boy Scouts and the Cubs. In winter months, the Library Board meetings have been beside Mrs. Pratt's hospitable fireside.

Most books are still priced a little higher than usual, and under war-time regulations for the saving of paper are less attractive in format than before. The chief special effort of the Library this year has been to increase our service to the students in the Norton Center, Barrowsville and Chartley schools. Already giving one hour on Wednesday to the High School students, the Library has opened another hour on the same day especially for the grades. The Board has increased the Librarian's salary somewhat, if not adequately, during the school year, to cover these busiest hours of the week. School and Library collaborate with the State Division of Public Libraries in promoting the State Certificate Reading Plan. It is a satisfaction to find Junior books improving in content and attractiveness during these years; though they are also somewhat advanced in price, we have felt it wise to buy for the younger readers fully a third of the whole number of books purchased this year. (We adults read them too.) In the course of 1944, 360 volumes were bought for the shelves, as follows: Fiction, 152; General reading of all kinds, 84; Junior books, 124. In addition, there were some gifts, as listed below. Thanks to magazines contributed by friends—Mrs. Williams, Mr. Wilkinson, Mrs. Pratt, Miss Jennings—we have been able to maintain our list of periodicals in spite of advanced subscription prices.

The Library Board joined with other town organizations in the reception and welcome given in the Grange Hall to Dr. A. Howard Meneely, the in-coming president of Wheaton College, members of the Board sharing in the plans and the work of a delightful community occasion. Supt. Laurence Nourse, our Auditor, speaking for the educational institutions of the town, recalled that 'town and gown' have a tie in Mrs. Wheaton who

gave the Library to Norton, and from whose estate the Library still receives an annuity through the college.

Gifts to the Library during the year include the periodicals mentioned above: Fortune, Life, Horticulture; Newsweek and London Illustrated News; collections of slightly used children's books from Barbara Rawlinson, Mrs. Hazel Gredler, and Mrs. Frank Ramseyer, and of used but recent fiction from Mrs. Mabel Hunt and Mrs. Margaret Pineo; several Spanish texts and readers from Miss Mary Sweeney, Professor of Spanish at Wheaton; and a volume or two from each of a dozen other friends. Often the donors asked that the books be not catalogued, but be kept for distribution or for reading in the Library itself. Mrs. Cobb Lawrence brought in from her accumulated family library about a hundred volumes including many old text and novels, suggesting that the Librarian make what distribution seemed best. Many of these were placed on the discard table or given to meet war-time calls. This share-a-book thoughtfulness is especially appreciated by families not able to make regular visits to the Library. Reed and Barton, of Taunton, sent us a copy of their valuable publication, The Whitesmiths of Taunton. For painting the flagpole, and gilding its ball, we have to thank Mrs. Gladys Clements whose father and husband were both in other years valued members of the Board. The Library flag, a tattered ensign now, was given to the Library in 1934, by Mr. G. H. O'Brien. If any patriotic friend were moved to give the Library a new one, it would be proudly displayed. On behalf of the community, the Board thanks these friends for their gifts and interest. The president has reason to appreciate the ready and willing cooperation of Board members in undertaking unusual services demanded by emergencies, and the Library force for their dependable service. Except for a few days' sick leave, neither librarian has taken any vacation this year. We have once more to thank Mr. Laurence Nourse for his services as auditor. The beautifully mimeographed book-lists are again the free gift of the High School.

The Board takes this occasion to salute one of its members who this year completes a quarter-century of interest in the Library. Mrs. M. Florence Williams was elected to the Library Board in April of 1920. For twenty-five years come April with unfailing faithfulness, she has been building her capable and constructive efforts into the Library of today.

CARO LYNN, President

Treasurer's Report
January 1, 1945

Receipts

Cash on hand January 1, 1944	\$269.72
From Wheaton College	200.00
Interest, Norton Savings and Loan Association	84.00
On account of Principal U. S. Bond and Mortgage	54.00
Town of Norton, Appropriation	1,000.00
Gift, Mrs. Arnold Jenkins, for children's books	5.00
Gift, Stanley Wilkinson, for magazines	5.00
Interest on Invested Funds	102.50
Sale of two Nivelles Corp. Bonds, Permanent Funds	2,000.00
Fines, from Librarian	8.04
Proceeds from Librarian Sale of Books	2.24

\$3,730.50

Expenditures

Miss Gertrude Mott, Librarian	330.00
Miss Doris Durgin, Assistant-Librarian	225.00
H. M. Leonard, Janitor services	100.00
Filing Equipment Bureau, Supplies	9.75
Taunton Window-Cleaning Company	8.00
Milton G. Perry, Repairs	9.25
Florence W. Baker, Book	2.50
Prescott Lock Company, sharpening mower	1.75
Gaylord Brothers, Supplies	5.85
Mrs. Gladys Clements, reimbursement	2.25
Bostock Furniture Company, Curtains	92.43
Sullivan's Office-Supply Company, Supplies	2.96
Mrs. Helen J. Yelle, Stationery	1.00
Two U. S. Government War Bonds, replacing called	
Nivelles Corp. Bonds	2,000.00
Williams Magazine Agency	67.00
Transferred to Savings Account	34.00
Library Book House, Books	536.23
Lenox Book Company, Books	2.20
Womrath Book Shop, Books	17.36
B. C. Trust Company, Service charges and	
Safe Deposit Box	12.13
Norton Power and Electric Company	31.34
Southern Mass. Oil Corporation, Oil, and	
Burner Service	162.85
Balance on hand, December 31, 1944	76.65

\$3,730.50

VARNEY W. MOSHER, Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

The following is the circulation of books by classes for the year: Fiction, 8800; General, 210; Philosophy, 20; Religion, 10; Science, 60; Useful Arts, 150; Fine Arts, 50; Literature, 180; History, 300; Biography, 300; total, non-fiction, 1280; complete circulation, 10,080.

In spite of a slight decrease in adult circulation, due to several causes, the enthusiastic taking of books by the school children more than made up for this loss. Various adjustments of hours to conserve fuel were made but the hours seemed to be sufficient for a good circulation as the results show.

The following magazines will be found on the magazine table: The American, American Home, Atlantic, Country Gentleman, Cosmopolitan, Fortune, (a gift) Good Housekeeping, Harper's, Horticulture, Illustrated London News (partly a gift) Ladies' Home Journal, Life (a gift) Newsweek, (a gift) Parents, Popular Mechanics, Readers' Digest, Saturday Evening Post, Saturday Review of Literature, (a gift) and, recently added, both the Boy Scout and Girls' magazine, and Jack and Jill for small children.

(Signed) GERTRUDE MOTT,
Librarian

MILK INSPECTOR'S REPORT FOR 1944

Number of Milk Licenses issued	26
Number of Oleomargarine Licenses issued	4
Milk Producer's Permits issued	6

The figures stated below were presented as estimated to the Milk Inspector. Most farmers were reluctant to answer, suggesting that they could not recall the figures given to the Tax Assessors and hence would not vouch for their accuracy since the Assessors had the accurate figures.

Number of cows	348
Number of bulls	8
Number of heifers	46
Quantity of Milk produced daily in Norton	3515 qts.

LEWIS S. RUBIN, Inspector.

ANNUAL REPORT OF NORTON FIRE DISTRICT

RECEIPTS 1944

Jan. 1, 1944	Cash on Hand	\$23.87
31, 1944	Rec'd Acct. Hydrant Rental from Geo. E. Smith, Tax Collector	4,296.29
		\$4,320.16

PAID OUT

June 1, 1944	Paid Geo. E. Smith Treas. to correct error in billing Hydrant rental charges Sept. 1, 1941 to March 1, 1942	\$9.00
Jan. 1, 1945	Paid Geo. E. Smith Treas. Bal. due on Hydrant rental Sept. 1, 1943 to Mar. 1, 1944	67.50
	Paid full rental Mar. 1, 1944 to Sept. 1, 1944	1,867.50
	Paid full rental Sept. 1, 1944 to Mar. 1, 1945	1,867.50
Jan. 1, 1945	Cash on Hand	508.66
		\$4,320.16

W. C. S. WOOD, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE FIRE ENGINEERS

The Fire Engineers herewith respectfully submit their fourteenth annual report.

The Fire Department responded to 139 calls during 1944. An addition was built to the fire station at Chartley. An O. C. D. 500 gallon trailer pump and an automobile was housed here. The fire at the Kilburn Glass Company demonstrated the need of larger water supplies and increased pumping capacities, also more hydrants in certain hazardous locations.

Norton Grove has grown rapidly and now has over 200 homes. Prospects for future growth are also good. Being located as it is, fire protection is difficult. The danger of a rapidly spreading fire is present, and must be considered.

The Norton Grove Association has offered to build a fire station, install a siren for alarm, heat the building, and care for it at their expense.

They want the town to furnish a fire truck for this station. Your Board of Fire Engineers believe a fire truck should be purchased at this time and put in service at Norton Grove. This apparatus would also be available for any part of town when needed.

It becomes increasingly difficult to obtain firemen during the daytime. We are badly in need of more men and will welcome volunteers. We thank the Chartley Plating Co., Kilburn Glass Company, Sweet Paper Box Co., Norton Center Garage, Sprague & Reynolds and Lane Brothers Laundry, for permitting men employed there to answer alarms during working hours.

Permits are required for all open air fires. No wire mesh or uncovered incinerator should be used.

No open fire should be started on a windy, dry and hot day. These days are most dangerous and an open air fire can easily develop into a conflagration and cause serious loss of property and even life. Never light an open air fire on such a day.

We will gladly recharge fire extinguishers without cost, unless expensive chemicals are used. In such cases, a charge is made for the chemicals.

We make the following recommendations in case of fire; and also in case of drowning, gas poisoning, or any form of asphyxia:

First: Call Attleboro 45 on telephone or call the Norton telephone operator.

Second: Give exact location of and kind of fire. This is very important.

Third: Call the Fire Department to all fires when first discovered, regardless of size or kind.

We appreciate the help and co-operation of the Highway, School, Police, and Water Department and the Norton Telephone Operators.

It is our hope that the townspeople know and appreciate the fine work of the Volunteer and Auxiliary Firemen. These men are subjected to many dangers in the hazardous duties of fire fighting. We thank them sincerely.

In conclusion may we express our deep appreciation for the fine support given our Board and Fire Department.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD L. WETHERELL,

Chief of Fire Department

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

	1943	1944
Total value of Real Estate	\$2,204,400 .00	\$2,244,425 .00
Total value of Personal Estate	193,950 .00	211,650 .00
Total appropriations to be raised by taxation		136,110 .12
Total appropriations to be taken from available funds		48,250 .00
State Tax		4,719 .00
State Parks and Reservations		113 .57
State Audit of Municipal Accounts		83 .72
County Tax		4,252 .11
County Tax for 1943 underestimate		439 .69
Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment		1,792 .24
Overlay of current year		2,736 .02

Gross amount to be raised	\$198,496 .47
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Estimated receipts and available funds	66,358 .92
State Parks and Reservations—Overestimate for 1943	3 .30
Available funds voted to reduce the tax rate	56,250 .00
Net amount raised on Polls and Property	75,884 .25

Total	\$198,496 .47
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Number of Polls assessed (Including all over 70 years)	1,101
Horses assessed	45
Cows assessed	388
Other neat cattle assessed	87
Swine assessed	66
Fowl assessed	22,105
All other animals assessed	68
Number of dwellings assessed	935
Rate per \$1,000.00	\$30 .00

Excise Tax

Number of Automobiles assessed	1,101
Assessed value	\$114,570 .00
Total excise tax	4,111 .28
State Rate per \$1,000.00	35 .85

Norton Fire District

Assessed value of Real Estate	\$1,347,400 .00
Assessed value of Personal Estate	112,925 .00
Rate per \$1,000.00	2 .60

Respectfully submitted, LEONARD A. WITHERELL
WILLIAM E. FALES
PERCY L. HINDS

Board of Assessors

TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

The year 1944 was a very successful year for the Water Department and although the fixture rate was cut about twenty-five percent, the commitments were nearly as much as last year, and according to the Tax Collector the collections amounted to \$19,573.16 which is the largest amount ever collected for the Water Department in any one year.

The extension on Mansfield Ave. was completed with 2,749 feet of pipe installed with two hydrants and six services.

The big problem for the Department is the supply of water. During the summer there was a period of five weeks during which the pumps were not shut down.

The Department has an appropriation for a new well and the Company that has the contract has spent about \$2,000.00 of its own money trying to locate a new well with sufficient water that is near the present mains, but on account of the Town being located on a ledge they were unable to find such a well. We will, therefore, have to go some distance from the mains and when the well is located will have to ask for another appropriation to pipe it to our mains.

During the year 1944, 20,033,000 gallons more water was pumped than in any previous year and the Commissioners hope that the time will come when everybody in Town who wants Town Water will be able to obtain it.

The following is a report of the operating expenses for the year:

Expenses of maintaining the Department	\$8,818.70
Payment of Water Loan Principle	4,000.00
Interest on Water Loan	1,572.50

Total costs	\$14,391.20
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Total Commitments for the year 1944	18,270.43
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The Commissioners welcome any suggestions that may improve the service or cut the cost without impairing the system.

Respectfully submitted,

BERTRAM F. FALES
LEONARD A. WITHERELL
CARLETON H. DRAPER

Water Commissioners

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

The Board of Public Welfare of the Town of Norton herewith submit the following report:

GENERAL RELIEF

During the year 1944 there were sixteen (16) cases aided, representing thirty-nine persons, twelve (12) cases being the largest number of cases aided in any one month. Thirty persons (30) persons being the largest number of persons aided in any one month.

Ten (10) cases aided were Norton settled cases.

Four (4) cases aided were unsettled (State) cases.

Two (2) cases aided were cases with settlement in other city or town.

One (1) case aided is under Division of Child Guardianship.

One (1) case aided is in State Infirmary.

There were nine (9) cases that received hospitalization, and one (1) Rest Home case.

All general relief cases are visited frequently and plans for treatment made.

Due to employment conditions we have not had many new applications, except in cases of illness, result of behavior and Court action, and desertion cases.

The eight (8) cases being aided are tabulated below with reasons for eligibility:

Two (2) cases—physically unfit for work, crippled.

One (1) case—in age group for O.A.A.—ineligible—not a citizen, also physically unfit for work.

One (1) case—child being boarded under Division of Child Guardianship.

One (1) case—child being boarded in private family, whereabouts of parents unknown.

One (1) case—board and care State Infirmary.

One (1) case—family being aided, parent in institution.

One (1) case—husband deserted.

The following tabulation will give the number of cases aided each month:

	Cases	Persons		Cases	Persons
January	9	15	July	9	28
February	8	16	August	8	10
March	9	17	September	8	10
April	11	30	October	8	11
May	10	28	November	8	13
June	9	18	December	8	12

Of the sixteen (16) cases aided during the year, eight (8) cases were closed. The following tabulation will give the number of cases closed and reasons for closing.

One (1)—husband deserted. Located, wife now receiving allotment.

One (1)—to care of self.

Two (2)—Secured private employment.

Three (3)—Relatives able to support.

One (1)—Transferred to Old Age Assistance.

The bills for the Welfare Department to the State and to other Cities and Towns were sent in July and December 1944 for the amount of \$938.91.

We do not anticipate any unusual increase in General Relief for 1945, however, illness and hospitalization and broken homes cannot be foreseen, and must be taken care of when the need arises.

The total expenditure for Welfare for 1944 was \$3,174.17. Out of this amount the sum of \$1,005.35 was paid to other cities and towns for cases with settlement in Norton. The sum of \$733.02 was paid out for State cases. The sum of \$431.35 was paid out for outside city and town cases, living in Norton.

Summary of Welfare Costs for Four Year Period

	1941	1942	1943	1944
Expenditures	\$5,814.12	\$4,839.30	\$3,295.17	\$3,174.17
Receipts	847.43	961.02	1,066.78	352.59
Actual Costs	\$4,966.69	\$3,878.28	\$2,228.39	\$2,821.58
Welfare				

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

During the year 1944 there were three (3) Aid to Dependent Children cases aided, representing twelve (12) children.

There was One (1) case closed for the following reason:

One (1)—Deceased.

There was One (1) application taken for A.D.C.—ineligible.

There are not Aid to Dependent Children applications pending and we do not anticipate any unusual increase in case-load for the year 1945.

The tabulation will give the number of cases aided each month and number of children represented.

	Cases	Persons		Cases	Persons
January	3	12	July	3	12
February	2	5	August	3	12
March	2	5	September	3	12
April	3	12	October	2	9
May	3	12	November	2	9
June	3	12	December	2	9

Visits have been made on all Aid to Dependent Children cases. Resources have been checked; school, health, dental, eyes and ears have been checked. Dental work has been attended to when needed; glasses have been furnished when necessary, and special medical treatment has been given when necessary.

There was one (1) hospital case during the year 1944.

The total expenditures for Aid to Dependent Children for 1944 was \$2,026.45.

Summary of Aid to Dependent Children Costs for Four Year Period

	1941	1942	1943	1944
Expenditures	\$3,263.00	\$2,917.00	\$2,395.19	\$2,026.45
Receipts	2,361.37	2,505.17	2,423.25	1,155.71
Actual Costs	\$1,261.63	\$411.83	none	\$870.74
A. D. C.				

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

During the year 1944 there were ninety (90) cases aided during the year; seventy-six (76) cases being the largest number of cases in any one month.

Seventy-five (75) cases aided were Norton settled cases.

Twelve (12) cases aided were unsettled (State) cases.

Three (3) cases aided were cases settled in other cities and towns.

There were twenty-two (22) applications for Old Age Assistance during the year 1944. Twenty (20) applications were approved; Two (2) applications were rejected, One (1) children able to support and One (1) ineligible due to sufficient funds.

There were Four (4) Hospital cases and Four (4) Rest Home cases.

The following tabulation will give the number of cases aided each month:

January	76	July	71
February	75	August	73
March	69	September	76
April	70	October	71
May	70	November	69
June	71	December	68

Of the Ninety (90) cases aided during the year, Twenty-four (24) cases were closed, the following tabulation will give the number of cases closed during the year and reasons for closing:

Eight (8)—Deceased.

Five (5)—Moved to other city or town.

Two (2)—Secured private employment.

One (1)—Became ineligible due to sale of property and sufficient funds.

Three (3)—Became ineligible due to relatives willing and able to support.

One (1)—Com. to Institution.

Four (4)—Ineligible—State regulations.

The following will give the number of increases and decreases during the year 1944 and reasons:

Increases

January (none)

February (3)—2—Budgetary needs, 1—Medical

March (3)—1—Budg. needs, 1—Medical, 1—Rest Home.

April (3)—1—Medical, 2—Budg. needs.

May (none).

June (none).

July (1)—Rest Home care.

August (none).

September (3)—2—Medical, 1—Rest home.

October (2)—1—Medical, 1—Budg. needs.

November (none).

December (3)—2—Budg. needs, 1—Hospital care.

Decreases

February (1)—Return from Rest Home.

June (2)—Ch. Supporting

July (1)—Resource from Relative.

August (2) 1—Other Income.

1—Ret. from Rest Home.

There was one Appeal case during the year 1944 and it was returned in favor of recipient.

Each Old Age Assistance case has been visited in accordance with regulations.

Bills for Old Age Assistance cases to other cities and towns were billed in July and December 1944, for the amount of \$256.00.

The total expenditures for Old Age Assistance for 1944 was \$31,608.75.

Amount paid for State cases was \$3,716.50.

Amount paid for other cities and town cases, living in Norton \$1,320.00.

	1941	1942	1943	1944
Expenditures	\$29,766.29	\$32,825.12	\$31,609.47	\$31,608.75
Receipts	23,027.70	27,733.42	27,749.47	23,640.75

Actual costs O.A.A. \$6,738.59 \$5,091.70 \$3,860.00 \$7,968.00

The Board of Public Welfare meets the Friday preceding the First Monday of each month, and Wednesday preceding the third Thursday of each month, at 7:30 P. M. at the Town Hall.

There has been very few changes in the Laws relating to the various catagories of relief this year.

There was one change in the Old Age Assistance Law relative to the amount of funds from children able to support which has eased the burden in some cases.

There has been a Recess Commission studying the Laws governing Old Age Assistance and its operation for the past fourteen months and if their report and recommendations for proposed legislation is accepted there will be many changes in the present Laws.

We wish to thank the Town Officials, the Chief of Police, Visiting Nurse and Visiting Nurse Association, the Red Cross, House In The Pines, *Wheaton College, and residents of Norton who have assisted the Department in any way. Your co-operation and benevolence is appreciated.

We wish to thank Mrs. Rosequist for her continued co-operation at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

LESTER M. JOHNSON

MABEL A. RICHMOND

BERNARD CABISIUS, Chairman

Board of Public Welfare

*Agent, M.S.P.C.C.

Alice M. Rosequist, Agent

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Lester M. Johnson

Term Expires 1945

Bernard A. Cabisius

" " 1946

Mabel A. Richmond

" " 1947

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

School Committee



FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1944

**REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE
TOWN OF NORTON
FOR THE YEAR 1944**

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mr. Ernest J. Knapton, Chairman	Term expires 1947
Telephone, Norton 188	
Mrs. Helen W. Gavin	Term expires 1945
Resigned April 17, 1944	
Mrs. Bernice W. Freeman	Term expires 1945
Elected to fill this vacancy at a joint meeting of the Board of Selectmen and School Committee on May 11, 1944	
Telephone 34-4	
Mr. Arthur L. Valentine	Term expires 1946
Telephone, Attleboro 613-W-3	

The Committee meets in the High School on the fourth Monday of each month at 7:30 P. M.

UNION SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Norton and Plainville
Laurence G. Nourse, Telephone Norton 66
Office, Norton 94-3

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Dr. E. W. Clarke
Telephone, Norton 75

SCHOOL NURSE

Mildred Paulding R. N.
Office Telephone, Norton 185

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Carlton Draper

Employment and Educational Certificates are issued at the office of the Superintendent of Schools.

NORTON SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1944-45

Elementary and High Schools:

First term opens September 6, 1944

First term closes December 21, 1944—16 weeks—72 days

Second term opens January 2, 1945

Second term closes February 16, 1945—7 weeks—34 days

Third term opens February 26, 1945

Third term closes April 20, 1945—8 weeks—39 days

Fourth term opens April 30, 1945

Fourth term closes:

Elementary Schools—June 15, 1945—7 weeks—34 days

High School—June 22, 1945 —8 weeks—39 days

SCHOOL SESSION

High School—8:00 a. m. to 1:05 p. m.

Elementary Schools—9:00 a. m. to 12:00 noon, and 1:00 p. m. to 3:00 p. m.

HOLIDAYS

October 12, October 13, October 27, November 23, November 24, December 21 ($\frac{1}{2}$ day), April 19, May 30.

NO SCHOOL SIGNALS

7:10 a. m.—Three double blasts of the whistles at the plants of Talbot Wool Combing Company, Defiance Manufacturing Company, and the sirens of the Norton Fire Department signify no session for any school for the day.

7:45 a. m.—Same signal signifies no session in the elementary school for the day.

Signals will be given through radio station WEAN; 7:00 a. m. to 7:30 a. m.; and at 7:45 a.m. and 8:15 a. m.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of Norton:

The School Committee is glad to report another year of progress in the work of the local schools. Under wartime conditions many difficult problems are bound to arise. Costs of materials are very high, repairs and replacements are difficult and the number of available teachers is much lower than in previous years. The School Committee is making every effort to improve local standards in the face of many unavoidable obstacles.

Statistics indicate that the total expenditures per pupil in Norton for the year 1944 were \$100.52, a sum which is \$14.79 less than the state average for towns of comparable size, namely \$115.31. The preceding figures are gross expenditures, not taking into account reimbursement from the state. After deducting this reimbursement the net expenditure per pupil from town funds in 1944 was \$62.47, which is \$29.78 below the state average. Citizens are urged to bear in mind that this very low expenditure per pupil in Norton is a recurring phenomenon. They are particularly asked to bear it in mind when the school committee, in order to maintain minimum standards, is obliged to submit higher budgets to the town meeting.

The following tabulation shows the general position of the town with respect to local school expenditures and state reimbursements:

	1941	1942	1943	1944
Spent by Norton on Schools	\$45,449.62	\$47,282.59	\$50,813.80	\$54,938.73
State reimbursement	12,141.36	11,598.83	15,555.11	13,529.19
Net cost to town	33,308.26	35,603.76	35,258.69	41,409.54

Although the net cost to Norton for its schools has increased during the past few years, this increase has not kept abreast of general expenditures throughout the state or in towns of comparable size.

Budget figures over a period of fifteen years are given on the following page for purposes of comparison.

The summary of the 1945 school budget follows:

	Budget 1945	Expended (last year) 1944	Expended (5 yrs. ago) 1940	Expended (10 yrs. ago) 1935	Expended (15 yrs. ago) 1930
General	\$ 635.00	\$ 593.40	\$ 439.74	\$ 443.24	\$ 497.40
Teachers' Salaries	34,935.00	30,119.95	24,903.82	24,184.23	24,500.65
Janitors' Salaries	4,264.00	3,953.34	3,341.00	3,559.00	3,499.95
Transportation	6,898.00	6,778.00	6,205.75	5,904.00	6,385.30
Fuel and Light	2,361.00	2,621.40	1,492.34	1,756.28	2,310.49
Books and Supplies	2,400.00	2,661.21	2,320.52	1,875.88	2,496.22
Superintendent, salary and School Union Travel	2,600.00	2,500.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00
Physician	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
New Equipment	250.00	271.06	228.68	143.22	406.62
Tuition	800.00	478.49	216.78	40.80	101.60
Repairs, Janitors' Supplies	2,490.00	2,842.56	1,872.73	1,413.54	1,298.24
Sundries	340.00	238.64	177.58	138.70	293.07
Adult Alien Education	250.00	219.03			
Household Arts	1,089.00	832.95			
Retirement Fund for Teachers in Military Service	118.00	278.70			
Rent	350.00	350.00			
	\$59,980.00	\$54,938.73	\$43,798.94	\$42,058.89	\$44,389.04

In order to remedy overcrowding at the Center School the large assembly room on the second floor has been partitioned. This gives one more room and has made it possible to employ an additional teacher. The size of classes is now at a more reasonable figure than it has been for years, and an opportunity for better work is presented to the teachers. But the Center School now lacks an assembly room. The need, however, was so urgent that no other choice seemed possible. The Legion Hall is still rented, as in 1943-44, to provide accommodation for the first grade. Without such expedients the work of the schools would be much more difficult, but it is to be remembered that these expedients cost money and will continue to be uneconomical until such time as an adequate school building program can be undertaken.

During the year the heating plant at the Barrowsville School was modified by removing the old inefficient hot air furnace which had been condemned by the building inspector and by installing a new heating unit attached to the steam boiler. Radiators have been put in the halls. The result is a great increase in efficiency and cleanliness.

Three new teachers have been added to the Norton School for 1944-45. Miss Rosemary Durant is in charge of the fourth grade at the Center School. Miss Phyllis Powell is in charge of the fifth grade at the Center School. Miss Powell and Miss Durant are graduates of the Bridgewater State Teachers College, June, 1944. Mrs. Lottie Perry is in charge of grades III and IV at the Sturdy School. Mrs. Perry who is a graduate of the Rhode Island College of Education has had teaching experience in the Attleboro Schools.

After nine years of service Mrs. Helen W. Gavin submitted her resignation from the School Committee in April, 1944. Her colleagues are glad to record their appreciation of her faithful work. At a joint meeting with the Selectmen on May 11, 1944, Mrs. Bernice W. Freeman was chosen to fill Mrs. Gavin's unexpired term.

The Committee is continuing to study the problem of post-war school building. From every point of view it considers this to be the most urgent of town needs. Much preliminary work has been undertaken and it would seem that a considerable body of public opinion is now aware of the urgency of the matter. The time has now come for a specific study of the question—location, size, nature of the school, and method of financing. To make this study the School Committee is proposing that a

planning committee be authorized at the next annual town meeting.

Grateful acknowledgment is made to the Norton Parent Teachers Association for its continued assistance in this and all other matters relative to school improvement.

The School Committee records its appreciation of the conscientious work of the superintendent, principals, teachers, and staff of the Norton Schools. In the face of many difficulties they continue to give loyal service and to do work of a high order.

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST J. KNAPTON, Chairman
BERNICE W. FREEMAN
ARTHUR L. VALENTINE

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Norton School Committee:

I have the honor of submitting to you my twenty-first annual report as Superintendent of Schools and the fifty-first in the series of reports.

Adult Civic Education

Due to the war, the Federal Government has placed great importance on the work being done in this field, Adult Civic Education. Encouragement towards becoming citizens has been extended through all educational resources. The work during the past year has been most successful under the leadership of the instructor in these classes, Miss Loretta McHugh. During the past school year, there have been forty-four sessions of the evening school with a total enrollment of seventeen persons. Of these, nine received the state certificate, two received their United States Citizenship and four received their first papers during the school year. The work of the school year was closed with a well attended program in the high school celebrating, "I Am An American Day". The committee for this purpose was Mrs. Jean Findlater, teacher of history in the high school, Miss McHugh, and the superintendent. An excellent original play written by Betty Barrowclough of the high school and put on by the high school history class was presented. Appropriate remarks and congratulations to the members of the class were made by Mr. E. J. Knapton, Chairman of the School

Committee and by the Selectmen of Norton, Mr. John Scott, Chairman, Mr. John G. Adair, and Mr. William Tucker. At the present time every effort is being made to continue this important educational work under the same plan as the past with the addition of a class in one of the factories.

Teacher Supply

The Massachusetts Educational News for November 1944 which is published by the Massachusetts Department of Education gave some significant facts in regard to the number of young people training to become teachers at the Massachusetts State Teachers College. The normal enrollment in all these institutions in Massachusetts is 3,200. At the present there are 1,800, a decrease of 43 per cent. Over the whole country during the past year the enrollment in teacher training institutions decreased 60 per cent from normal. Therefore for at least the next four years a decided decrease in the supply of teachers from these institutions will be inevitable. In this matter, as in all matters of supply, unless there is some governmental control, there will be competition for this smaller number of graduates. For example, the graduates of Bridgewater State Teachers College of last June have all been placed in teaching positions. Already a number of those who will graduate next June have been definitely placed in teaching jobs. Married women who have been teachers in the past are being used in many school systems because of the present emergency. Many are offering their services as a patriotic duty for the duration of the war and will not be available in peace times. It has been most difficult during the past year to secure substitute teachers to take positions during the illness or absence of classroom teachers. The factor of the probable teacher supply for the next few years must be considered in planning the school budget and educational program.

Teachers' Salaries

The largest item in the school budget as in most business and industrial enterprises is that of salaries. The quality of the work done is more dependent upon the teaching personnel than on any other factor. Although buildings, equipment, and supplies are essential for maximum results, certainly, it is true in teaching that the skill and personality of the teacher is the most important item in the teaching situation. Nearly always the quality of a teaching staff is in close relation to the salary

schedule. The recent minimum salary law in Massachusetts raised the minimum salary in Norton by \$200. Since then the shortage of teachers due to the fewer graduates and the leaving of the profession for war activities of large numbers of teachers has resulted in a large general increase in the salary being paid throughout the state. Last year a revision of the Norton salary schedule resulted in an increase of approximately \$100. in most classifications. The so called bonus or adjusted salary factor for cost of living has been \$100. In many of the surrounding places, either a large increase in the salary schedule or a bonus factor of \$300 has taken place. The net result of this has been that, while five years ago it was possible for Norton to compete for the best of graduates of the teacher training institutions and colleges, at the present time Norton is paying \$200 less than most of the towns and cities who are competing for the outstanding graduates. In order to carry on the program of recent years in securing the highest rated graduates and endeavoring to hold them for two or three years of service, this difference in salary must be met either with a revised schedule or a special war time or cost of living salary increase.

Vocational Household Arts Course

On December 1, 1944, the Vocational Household Arts Course under the sponsorship of the State Department of Education completed its second year, under the leadership of the instructor, Mrs. Charlotte Harnden.

During this time 100 per cent of the cost of instruction for this department has been paid by the State Department of Education. The Vocational section of the Household Arts program is rated as 4/7 of our total program. Under their program a gradual transfer of responsibility to the local towns after the adoption of this program takes place. During the coming year 75 per cent of the Vocational section of this work will receive financial support. During the past school year \$806.05 were paid from the George Dean Fund under the control of the state authorities. In the same period \$306.86 for the operation of all Household Arts activities aside from salaries was paid by the Town of Norton. 50 per cent of this is refunded to the town treasury from state funds. The annual report of the State Director of Vocational Education is quoted below. It clearly shows the recognition of the excellent work being done in this department. I wish to add a word of appreciation for the interest and help furnished for this enterprise by the Ad-

visory Committee which consists of Mrs. Charles Baker, Mrs. Albert Jenks, Mrs. Alfred Krall, and Mrs. Harvey LaRosee.

"All records examined, found to be acceptable, and school recommended for approval in these particulars.

A. The household arts program has shown evidence of further growth and development. The outside speakers, field trips, and special short units of instruction, such as home nursing and dress design, have contributed to an enriched, comprehensive, homemaking program. Teaching organization and teachers recommended for approval. All courses recommended for approval."

Vocational Course for Boys

In last year's report extensive comment was made on the need for a vocational program for boys in the high school. While the inauguration of such a program must wait for new school facilities, it must be kept constantly in mind and plans should be under way. During the past year the Norton Parent Teacher Association had as one of its speakers, Mr. Daniel H. Shay, Supervisor of Industrial Education of the Massachusetts Department of Education. The possibilities of this type of program for the high school were discussed at this meeting and have done much to show the need for this type of training in the high school.

Enrollment

The enrollment in the Norton Schools using the September data from 1926 to 1943 was reported in last year's annual report. The figures for the present year are high school 95, last year 93, Center school 206, last year 224, Sturdy School 128, last year 120, Barrowsville School 83, last year 89. Present total 512, last year 526. It is especially significant that the decrease which has been taking place in the high school has stopped and in fact a slight increase recorded. As the unusual general conditions change there will be undoubtedly a decided increase in the high school enrollment. In the elementary schools, Sturdy School showed an increase and the other two schools a decrease. Thus the general situation outlined in the last report has not changed and the needs as outlined are still valid. The solution of the enrollment problems awaits the new school building program.

New High School Program

A new and enlarged conception of the purpose of the high school in the educational program has developed under war

time conditions. Within the post-war world this conception will continue to grow and demand practical recognition. The vocational needs of a large part of our youth in addition to the college preparatory function has long been recognized. There will be a greater demand for opportunities for adult education. Many young men returning as veterans will feel the need for a high school diploma. This need they found for advancement in military service and they will realize that this continues in peacetime pursuits. The limited collegiate program of the high school will not appeal to many. Central schools under county and state supervision will take care of some young people but many will not be able to take advantage of such opportunities and will need to receive such training locally. The conception of the enlarged high school program will also give a broader and more practical training in the civic responsibilities and democratic procedure. The outstanding example in Massachusetts is the so called, "Springfield Plan". This is being studied and copied by many school systems. High Schools are also beginning to offer training in the distributive occupations and the general business world in addition to the usual skilled vocations. The number of young people going into such occupations is a large percent of the total. A new course with these objectives in mind is necessary for proper preparation and later participation in these fields.

What Business Expects from the Schools

At the recent meeting of the Bristol County Teachers' Association, Mr. James V. Toner, President of the Boston Edison Co. who recently became a resident of Plainville, presented a stimulating address on the topic, "What Business Expects from the Schools". His speech was based on the reports which he had received from 17 of the larger business firms in New England such as General Electric Company, Lever Bros., United Shoe Machinery, several banks and railroads, and public utilities which in total employed over 150,000 persons. This report gave an excellent summary of the successes and failures of the schools and the responsibilities of business, the home, and the schools in increasing the efficiency of young people entering business and industrial life. I give below several quotations from this speech. These are worth careful consideration in planning our education program.

"A complete summary of the deficiencies noted in new employees coming directly from the schools in the order of the number of times they are mentioned in the replies are:

1. Lack of interest, reflected in attitude toward job and poor attendance.
2. Lack of willingness and ability to concentrate upon the job until finished or during working hours.
3. Lack of a thorough training in the fundamentals of Arithmetic, Mathematics, English, Spelling, and inability to write legibly.
4. Lack of accuracy and thoroughness. Poor work habits.
5. Lack of a sense of responsibility, or unwillingness to assume responsibility.
6. Lack of self-discipline, and lack of respect for supervisors.
7. Belief that promotion will result without effort, and without any attempt to improve one's equipment or knowledge of the job.

"Some part of the responsibility for these deficiencies might fairly be chargeable to the schools, but I believe that the following quotation from one of the answers reflects the majority opinion of business: 'The most common deficiencies noted in our new employees coming directly from the schools are at the present time inaccuracy, indifference, lack of enthusiasm and enterprise, and unfortunately in many cases, failure to realize the importance and dignity of work. I might say that in normal times the High School graduates we hire are, on the whole, satisfactory. The above deficiencies are probably due to the present unusual economic conditions, and should not necessarily be charged to the public schools.

"The schools should be looked upon by the parents as a supplement to the home training, and not as a substitute for it. Character is a retail job, and cannot be wholesaled out to the schools. Schools cannot possibly in twenty-five hours a week take over the parents' responsibility or that of the Church. Students are impressed very strongly by the character and personal habits of the instructors.

"I think on the whole the schools are doing a pretty good job now in preparing students for business. I do think most school people are too sensitive to criticism and I have observed that business is very quick to cover up its own deficiencies in supervision and training by 'passing the buck' to the schools.

"The first suggestion that I might make is that school and business people get to know each other better so that the one understands the problems of the other. If the two groups could have more of an opportunity to sit down together as co-workers on a common problem of vital interest to both, I think each group would profit by the experience.

"Students working part time while attending school have done much to bridge the gap between the classroom and the business office. Perhaps some plan of developing further the scheme of alternating class work with actual office experience would be desirable. Teachers, as well as students would profit, I think if they could spend some time occasionally in a business office."

Quotations from Grammar School Principals' Reports

Center School—Miss Loretta McHugh

During the school year 1943-44 the Center School engaged in many activities both for the school itself and the war effort.

The eighth grade put on two one-act plays entitled "Little Darling" and "The Little Red School House". This project was for the purpose of raising funds for the annual trip. The plays netted sufficient money for the class to take a trip the day after graduation to Provincetown, sailing on the S.S. Steel Pier. Another activity was the collection of paper—the aim was a ton but the actual collection resulted in about 1700 lbs.

A citation from the Treasury Department for purchasing a Flying Jeep costing \$3,000 was received on January 10, 1944 when the total sales from Sept. 1943 were \$3,190.70. By the end of the 1944 school year the Center School had purchased over \$6,000 in war stamps and bonds.

On the opening day of school in 1944 the Center had added another teacher to its staff, so that in eight grades there were seven teachers. This made necessary the moving of the seventh and eighth grades to a room made in the High School. These grades operate on a grammar school program and are not an integral part of the High School itself.

A new plan for the teaching of geography in the three upper grades was instituted. Material is organized through the median of Current Events and supplemented by the National Geographic and current maps. This has proven worthwhile from the point of view of the pupil's interests as well as in view of timeliness.

This year the Junior Red Cross has done much work under the direction of girls from Wheaton College. For the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays nut-baskets and favors were made and sent to the hospital at Camp Myles Standish. All children from grades five through eight participated in this work.

Sturdy School—Mr. William M. Mahoney

I again submit my report to you of the activities of the Sturdy School during the past year. This year we have been fortunate

in having Mrs. Lottie Perry as third and fourth grade teacher. She has not only proved very capable in the classroom, but has brought with her the stimulus of her dramatic ability in helping to carry out many activities during the year.

Probably the biggest change this year has been that of introducing a semi-departmental program for grades V—VIII, whereby the fifth and sixth grade home room teacher teaches in the two higher grades spelling, penmanship, art, and supervised study: the seventh and eighth grade home room teacher teaches English and Mathematics in grades V and VI. This program seems to be working out quite satisfactorily and it is expected that any “wrinkles” which do now occur will be ironed out in time.

A subject of much discussion in the Chartley section of the town has been a lunch room. No definite plans have been made and progress in such things during these war times is bound to be slow. However, through the efforts of several of the seventh and eighth grade boys, the school committee and interested parents we have rejuvenated our former coal bin so that we at least have made the first step toward achieving a difficult goal. It is expected that we can use this room immediately for recreational purposes, instrumental music classes, 4-H, various other school activities and for community gatherings.

I wish at this time to thank you and the school board for your splendid help throughout the year and to make acknowledgment of the co-operation of Mrs. Perry, Miss Witherell, and Miss Bradstreet in the operation of our school. A very famous educator once said, “You cannot do anything in your school, of which the janitor does not approve.” That is most certainly the unanimous opinion of all of us at the Sturdy School, teachers and children alike, for we look to Mr. Keene for help and advice in all sorts of problems. We owe much thanks and certainly the appreciation of the principal for his conscientious devotion to duty.

Barrowsville School—Miss Mary E. Larkin

One of the greatest accomplishments during the past year has been the increased interest in reading. The initial motivation was the awarding of the State Reading Certificates. “The Friday Afternoon Book Club” has held weekly meetings under the able guidance of the officers. Book reports, speakers, characterizations, quiz programs, and exhibits have proved very valuable to all the students.

The children have shown their eagerness in being of service during the trying days of war. There continues to be a large sale of War Savings Stamps and Bonds. Milkweed pods and scrap drives have been conducted, and scrapbooks were made for the wounded soldiers.

The physical conditions of the school are kept in excellent order by the new janitor, Mr. Courchesne. The recently installed heating system for the upper grades is very satisfactory.

Troop 2, Barrowsville Girl Scouts, had a most successful year. Fifteen girls were awarded their Second Class Badges in June, and several have already earned a proficiency badge for First Class Scouting. The scouts were glad to welcome their younger sisters into the Brownies, who are meeting with Miss Russell as their leader.

During the year a group of Wheaton girls have come very regularly to supervise the children at play. Competitive games were held with the Sturdy School. The groups show traits of team work, cooperation, and fair play.

CLOSING

To the School Committee: I see more intimately than most persons the care and sincere interest you take in the welfare of the Norton Schools. I wish to record my pleasure in cooperating with you in carrying out the policies of the Norton School Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

LAURENCE G. NOURSE,
Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Mr. Laurence G. Nourse
Superintendent of Schools:

I herewith present my report for Norton High School for the calendar year of 1944.

We started our thirty ninth year with 33 boys and 62 girls. We are extremely fortunate that no changes occurred in our faculty, as continuity of service is advantageous to the pupils' education.

I feel that the text books are in excellent condition and for the most part they are modern. Many new books have been purchased this year. The apparatus used in the science classes is

adequate to acquaint the pupils with the fundamental laws and principles. Our new items of apparatus in the physics class will create new interest in this subject. The Biology class is a fine improvement to our list of sciences and the amount of apparatus is increasing each year.

The Biology class has a project whereby three white rats are fed different diets. Weekly weighings are made. The pupils are interested and are watching the results. We hope to impress upon the minds of the pupils that a proper diet is necessary for proper health and growth. Our school nurse, Mrs. Margaret Stenstrom and the teacher, Miss Loretta McHugh, regulate the diets. The members of the class care for and feed the rats.

The desks, armchairs, and stair cases have been repaired as needed. The boys have made many repairs under my guidance, thus helping to give our furniture proper care. Soon a carpenter will have to put considerable time into glueing the movable chairs. It has been practically impossible to get a carpenter to do the repair work when needed.

Fire drills are held each month, and I find the building can be emptied in about one minute. Room blocks have been used in order that the traffic will not become stereotyped, in which case, the time consumed becomes greater.

The high school space has never been large enough, but, it shrunk still further when a part of the assembly hall had to be taken to make space for the increased enrollment in the elementary grades. Much scheming by the teachers and pupils was necessary to meet these new conditions imposed upon the high school. Our school life exists under trying conditions, and we hope that when the times are right, the voters will agree to erect a new building with adequate space for proper school functioning. The building is passed by the building inspector but that fact should not necessarily satisfy the parents of children attending this school.

The eighth grade on the high school floor has required some changes in the schedule both for that grade and for us. The hall exits are no longer designated one for the girls and one for the boys, but either exit is open to both sexes according to their location at the time of dismissal. Confusion due to the crossing of traffic lines is thus eliminated. The one exit from the study hall has to be used for double passing and there is crowding at the front of the room. The old rotary traffic rules are practically non-existent.

The school lunch is being subsidized by the government for the second year. We are fortunate in this matter as we could

not exist without this assistance. Mrs. Charlotte Pierce is our hostess. Through her ability we are able to get along and serve hot lunches worth more than the charge of 15c. per plate. Many cases of canned vegetables have been purchased from the local stores. The government has supplied no food so far this school year.

The school department is in need of a safe. Records, and some times small funds, should necessarily be kept in a more secure place and close at hand. Some school friend might be able to tell us where we can locate a safe. The office of the superintendent is the proper place for this vault.

The pupils have been purchasing war stamps and bonds. This year the only transaction in the school bank has been a withdrawal of \$6.31. The balance on hand is \$297.95, kept at the First National Bank, at Attleboro, Mass.

We have been the victim of easy employment for children. We find that some of the entering class will remain in school only until they reach their 16th birthday. They have been advised about the need of an education and the competition they are to meet when the men and women of the armed forces are released into civilian life. I feel that the parents should realize this delicate situation and demand that their children complete their high school education.

Miss Alta Estabrook, our English teacher, has checked carefully the records of all pupils who are failing, attempting to create new desires on the part of the pupils to do better work in their school subjects. She has completed the permanent records of the three under classes, while I have checked the seniors.

The school activities have been various. The Latin Club has been active and has conducted its usual meetings. The English and Science Classes have conducted assemblies. The senior class held an assembly to stimulate the purchase of war stamps and war bonds.

The Household Arts classes are now preparing for their assembly. The usual Christmas Party was conducted by the Sophomore class. This year each class held an individual party supervised by the faculty adviser.

"Spooks and Spasms" was the name of the annual senior class play, presented on December 20, 1944, at the Wheaton College Gymnasium. Miss Gloria Merritt was the coach.

The Household Arts department, directed by Mrs. Charlottie Harnden, has had a most successful year. The cost of the vocational section of this course is partially supported by the state. The two upper classes are required to give 15 hours per week to

the work. The work is varied and covers a variety of subjects as noted below.

Field Trips

Home Planning Unit (Exterior Plating) Tour of Homes in Norton Center.

Functional Modern Building—Plimpton Hall, Wheaton College.

Home Furnishings (Construction, tricky advertising, etc.)—Atherton's.

Fall Fabrics—Fine's Dry Goods Store, Attleboro.

Five visits to Wheaton College Nursery School.

Home visit to see the application of Kemtone over wallpaper.

Bathing a Live Baby—Mrs. Foster's home.

Exhibit of shoes from all parts of the world—Wheaton Library.

Exhibit of Mushrooms—Science Building—Wheaton College.

Talks and Demonstrations.

Forty-minute talks were given by different people to fill the time between the Home Nursing Course given by Mrs. Paulding and the course in Dress Design given by Mrs. Rice.

Curing the Ailing Household Equipment—Mr. Moore, Attleboro Steam and Electric Light Company.

Commercial Art as applied to Household Arts—Mrs. Bernheimer.

Household Insurance—Mr. Mosher.

Personal Insurance—Mr. Mosher.

Efficient Kitchens—Miss Parker, County 4-H leader.

Delinquency in the Teen-Age Group—Miss McKinnon S.P.C.C. worker.

What the Grey Ladies do—Mrs. Baker.

Tantrums—Miss Stuntzner, Wheaton College.

Going to Bed—Miss Stuntzner, Wheaton College.

Care of the Sewing Machine—Singer Sewing Machine Representative.

Informal talk given every Wednesday during the year by different members of the class. The subject has been one of their own choosing.

We have several magazines coming to the school library. Lessons are assigned which require outside readings to be made. On Wednesday of each week the Town Library is opened from 12 noon to 1:00 P.M. for our high school pupils and from 2:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. for the grammar school pupils. The English classes thereby have access to many books. The assigned book reports are more complete, are of greater educational value. We appreciate the cooperation of Miss Gertrude Mott, the librarian, and the Library Board.

The Student Council is well organized. They held an assembly in the Spring illustrating how this organization can improve the school spirit. Mrs. Jean Findlater is the faculty adviser. The Council meets every other Thursday, after school hours.

Following is the organization of the student council: President, Donald Thibeault; Vice President, Bette Woodward; Secretary, Alicia Ferrini; Treasurer, William Wallace; Edward Hyland, Norman Briggs, Gertrude Lehr, Mary Gonsalves, Miriam Clarke, Howard Baker, Howard Pike, Laura Gonsalves, Natalie Richards, Mary Thomas, and David Clarke.

Mrs. Rowena Rice has kept our drawing classes on a high plane. The pupils do work which is far beyond that which is done in a majority of high school art classes. The handicraft class meets on Wednesday afternoons.

Mrs. Alice Illingworth has secured fine success in her music classes. The songs used are of good musical value. Folk songs are sung at certain intervals. A degree of musical appreciation is being secured. Music is elective for the pupils.

The pupils, teachers, and myself, sincerely thank the parents, school committee, and the superintendent, for their continued support. This support makes the school a more pleasant institution in which to work.

CHARLES S. RANDALL,
Principal

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

Mr. Laurence G. Nourse
Supt. of Norton Public Schools

Dear Sir:

Following is my report for music in the Norton Public Schools for the year ending December 31, 1944.

The last part of the year, having each of the first five grades at the Center School in a room by itself, has facilitated our work in music greatly. We are able to do now for the first time, work that pertains to just that certain grade. While it was slow in starting, for a lower grade always leans on the upper where we leave two grades in a room, they are now doing work suitable for the grade, and can stand alone. Confidence in their own ability means much.

The first two grades are enjoying their new role song books very much—New Music Horizons. They are beautifully il-

lustrated and the children enjoy the art pictures as well as the songs.

The books we are using for theory and study work are the same as in the past two years. While I would like new books for the fifth and sixth grades at Sturdy School, I have hesitated to ask for them due to war conditions. The new book in the fifth and sixth grades at the Center School—*Tunes and Harmonies* from the Music Hour Series, is proving a course of great enjoyment as well as experience in fine type of music.

The music for Grammar School Graduation was in keeping with the theme of the subject, *This is Worth Fighting For*, School Days, Sports, Church, Home, Patriotism. Mr. Mahoney, principal at Sturdy, deserves much credit for his work on the narrative.

The music for High School Graduation was "The Challenge of Youth", by Gibb and "I'm Proud to be an American."

Mr. White is with us again for instrumental instruction and has about ten pupils at Sturdy, eight or nine at the Center, none at Barrowsville. The trouble now seems to be lack of instruments. We know of people who have instruments and if they would only loan them to some child to take lessons, it would be greatly appreciated. The time to start a child on instrumental instruction is while he is in school.

The new teachers are doing splendid work and are very co-operative. Mrs. Perry at Sturdy and Mrs. Greene at the Center Schools are doing fine tonal work in their music.

The right kind of musical activity in the schools results in a richer and more complete home and community life. Of all the arts, music most vitally influences both the individual and the community life. Many of the boys who have gone out from our schools into the army, have written me of the vital part music takes in their training.

Thanks once again for the splendid cooperation extended to me by all our staff of teachers and School Committee and you, Mr. Nourse.

Respectfully submitted,

ALICE M. ILLINGWORTH

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ART

"Art is all around you. It is in the clothes you wear, in the rooms you live in and the way you comb your hair. It is a living thing," which I am endeavoring to instil into the every day experiences of the children—

The home planning group in the High School worked in the art department for one term making dress designs for different occasions to be applied to each girls individual need. Color lines and fabrics were discussed.

The advanced High School Art class which continues to be filled to capacity completed problems in life drawing in color, studies of protective coloring in nature which lead to camouflage of factories, roads, uniforms, airports pertaining to the war in water color, still life groups in poster colors, outdoor sketching of streets, building, gardens and trees in pencil, crayon, charcoal, portrait studies of one another in the group, also some beautiful paintings in water color of enlarged flowers. War loan posters were made in all art classes.

The first year art group studied various styles of lettering, modern poster, old English, Roman capitals, pen and ink. Compositions were well done, self portraits, outdoor sketching, and a large individual painting on mural paper with each pupil choosing his own subject and finishing in poster colors.

The handicraft class met after school. They worked enthusiastically in leather, making belts, hats, purses, animals for coat or dress decorations, etches metal bracelets, rings, book-ends, stencil fabrics for skirts and kerchiefs—a new method of making animals from waste baskets materials and string was a large feature. The animal was covered with paper tape and finished in gay creative designs in show card colors. A hundred and fifty Christmas and Easter menu covers for the Navy were stenciled in the art and handicraft classes. Betty Barrowclough cut the stencils.

The cover for the school report was designed and stenciled by Eleanor Bouza.

The work in the first year and advanced group in Mechanical drawing has progressed as usual. Pupils are very much interested and often report how helpful it is to them in work outside of school.

In the grades, the problem in art have been similar to other years with the exception of emphasis on helping to win the war. War loan posters were completed in all the upper grades. An exhibition of war loan posters was held in the Grange Hall.

Water color paintings and crayon drawing of homes of the United Nation's were rendered by the seventh and eighth grades.

Posters for the "Be Kind to Animal Contest" were submitted and the following won prizes:

Center School—

Natalie Woodward—1st

Henry Camara—Hon. Mention

Robert Caswell—2nd

Carmella Pino—Hon. Mention

Sturdy School

Edna Varney—1st

Anita Varney—Hon. Mention

Annie Gross—2nd

Barrowsville School

Therese Tremblay—2nd

Louise Hunt—Hon. Mention

The art department assisted by very willing workers from the seventh and eighth grades and Harold Rice built a fox hole and decorated the stage for the grammar school graduation. An airplane model moving unassisted through the sky of the stage setting added a realistic touch.

The high school art exhibition was unusually well attended.

Again, may I say, "Thank You" for the ever excellent co-operation of the Superintendent of Schools, High School Principal and Teachers.

Respectfully submitted,

ROWENA BROWN RICE

Supervisor of Art.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Mr. Laurence G. Nourse

1. We have nearly completed our physical examination.
2. Our school health program is essentially the same as in previous years: preschool examinations, diphtheria-prevention work, care of play ground injuries, regular physical examinations and health examinations to students just returning to school following an illness of three or more days.
3. There have been a few minor epidemics of colds, some scarlet fever, measles, mumps and chicken-pox. There was one case

of meningitis which was promptly isolated and the child returned to school following complete recovery.

4. There have been a few play-ground accidents.

5. The cooperation of the teachers, janitors, and parents in our health program is much appreciated.

6. I wish especially to thank Mrs. Paulding for her excellent work in this department.

7. Once more I wish to thank parents who have kept their children home from school when there has been a suggestion of illness, colds, etc.

8. Because of this cooperation, our health standard has been maintained.

ELMER W. CLARKE, M. D.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Laurence G. Nourse
Superintendent of Schools

Following is the summary of the school nurse's activities for the year 1944, which included:

1868 Pupil Inspections	Assisting at Dr.'s	
141 Home Visits	Examinations	387
30 First Aid Treatments	Exclusion of Pupils	96
330 Classroom Visits	Transportation Home	58
88 Pupil Conferences	Notes Home	18

In February five high school girls completed the Red Cross Home Nursing course and were awarded certificates.

The Toxoid Clinic for the prevention of diphtheria was held during April and May. Fifty-five children were immunized. At the present time a poll is being conducted, through the co-operation of the Norton Board of Health and the Community Service of the Wheaton College Y.W.C.A. to determine the percentage of children protected. To prevent an epidemic of diphtheria it is necessary to have 50% of the pre-school children and 60% of the school children immunized. We must attain this goal.

The Well-Child Conference was held in May with thirty-one children and their attending parent receiving expert advice and counsel from Dr. Susan Coffin of the State Department of Health and Mrs. Catherine Barker, state nutritionist.

During September and October a Cleanliness Program was conducted in all the elementary grades with excellent results.

A Nutrition Program was carried out in November and December using two white rats as the principals of an experiment to prove the results of a well balanced diet and a deficient diet. These rats were obtained so that the pupils of the schools might understand through observation the value of proper foods.

In December a Western Electric audiometer was obtained from the State Department of Health. This was used to give each pupil in the schools a hearing test. The individual results have been sent home with the pupils to their parents. We hope that parents will consult with their family physician if the results are questionable. Miss Christine Higgins of the State Department of Health supervised the test.

To date in the current school year there has been no Red Cross Home-Nursing Course offered. However, honorable mention is given to four of our high school girls. They have had the interest and enthusiasm necessary to go each week to the Sturdy Memorial hospital to give their time and service.

At this time I wish to extend my gratitude to all those who have in any way assisted with our school health program.

Respectfully submitted,

MILDRED A. PAULDING, R.N.

EXTRACTS FROM THE SCHOOL CENSUS OF OCTOBER 1, 1944

	Males	Females	Total
Pupils between 7 and 16	229	237	466
Pupils between 5 and 7	38	32	70
	267	269	536
Sight and Hearing			
Number of pupils examined			509
Number of pupils found defective in eyesight			51
Number of pupils found defective in hearing			16
Number of notices sent to parents			42
Number of employment certificates issued during year			48
Number of educational certificates issued during year			127
Number of days the elementary schools were in session			175
Number of days the high school was in session			182

THIRTY-EIGHTH GRADUATION OF THE NORTON HIGH SCHOOL

Wheaton College Gymnasium
Thursday, June 22, 1944 at 8:00 P. M.
Class Of 1944

Processional,
Invocation,

Seniors

Reverend Hazel Rogers Gredler
Unitarian Congregational Church
Norton, Mass.

Salute to the Flag	Howard Randall
Address of Welcome	Irene Ida Roberge
Song, "The Challenge of Youth" (Words by Walker W. Daly, Music by Robert W. Gibb)	
School Chorus	

"Post War World"

- | | |
|--|-------------------------------|
| 1. Pan-American Clubs in High Schools | Georgette Marguerite Paquette |
| 2. Effects of the Air Age | Arline Lillian Johnson |
| 3. Should a person be allowed to vote upon
reaching the age of Eighteen Years | Irene Ida Roberge |
| 4. Education of Veterans | Edna May Whittemore |
| 5. China's Part in the Post War World | Elizabeth Ann Barrowclough |

Song, "I'm Proud to be an American" (Words by Christine T. Curtis, Music by Robert W. Gibb)	School Chorus
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Presentation of the Washington and Franklin History Prize
Reverend Willard H. Roots,
Mansfield, Mass.

Presentation of the English Prize	Mr. Leo Yelle
President of the Norton Parent-Teachers' Association	

Presentation of the Wheaton Award	Miss Laura Fontneau
Announcement of Prizes	Charles S. Randall, Principal
Presentation of Diplomas	Professor E. J. Knapton
Member of the Norton School Committee	

Class Poem	Elizabeth Ann Barrowclough
Benediction	Reverend Alexander Cooper

Trinitarian Congregational Church

OFFICERS

President
Vice-President
Secretary
Treasurer

Irene Ida Roberge
Jacqueline Cheyne
Anna Mae Bellavance
Arline Lillian Johnson

GRADUATES

Classical Course—Elizabeth Ann Barrowclough, Barbara Rose Gay, Arline Lillian Johnson, Mary Louise LeClaire, Georgette Marguerite Paquette, Edna May Whittemore, Marion Emily Whittemore.

General Course—Lorraine Veronica Ashton, Margaret Louise Bartley, Winthrop Crocker Bliss, Jacqueline Cheyne, Louis Norman Francis Lamoureux, Irene Ida Roberge, Edith May Sawler, Edward Carey Sheehan, Jr., Stanley Gordyne Sylvester.

Commercial Course—Anna Mae Bellavance, Esther Florence Larson, Annette Rita Leroux, Frances Irma Sawler, Gladys Irene Sousa.

Household Arts Course—Evangeline Fernandes, Constance Irene Leonard.

Colors
Motto
Flower

Green and White
“Work, Study, Learn”
White Rose

Mr. Charles S. Randall, Principal
Miss Helen Caffrey
Mrs. Jean Findlater
Mrs. Charlotte Harnden
Miss Alta Estabrook
Miss Gloria Merritt
Miss Loretta McHugh
Mrs. Alice Illingworth
Mrs. Rowena Rice

Class Poem by Elizabeth Ann Barrowclough

Tonight we are proud alumni,
Too soon our school life ends,
But we'll always cherish Norton High
And our teachers and many friends.

We regret that all are not here
To share in our glory tonight,
But in our hearts we proudly cheer
For our boys who are off to fight.

"Work, study, learn" is our rule
That we will always find true,
For knowledge is ever a tool
When there is real work to do.

Let us to better things aspire
As each goes along life's way,
Let us strive ever higher and higher
'Til we reach our dream of today.

GRADUATION EXERCISES
NORTON GRAMMAR SCHOOLS

Wheaton College Gymnasium

Thursday Evening, June 15, 1944, 8:15 P. M.

Invocation

Reverend Alexander Cooper

Trinitarian Congregational Church

Salute to the Flag

Under leadership of Henry Camara

We, the class of 1944, have taken for the theme an idea that is in keeping with the tempo of the times. We are portraying a scene in a foxhole, somewhere in the South Pacific. The scenes that you will see are visionary thoughts of four boys, typical Americans, each of whom expresses what he is fighting for.

"This is Worth Fighting For"

Scene—A foxhole in the South Pacific. There are four soldiers who have just dug in for the night after terrific fighting.

Characters:

Sergeant Tom Barker from Massachusetts	John Little
Private Jim Harper from Mississippi	John Drane
Private Bob Goldstein from Brooklyn, N. Y.	Harry Lane
Corporal Jack Holt from Texas	Alton Miner

I. Education

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|----------------|-------------------------|
| 1. School Days | Children from Grade Two |
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II. Teamwork

- | | | |
|------------------|-------------|------------------|
| 1. School Sports | | |
| Warren Carr | Milton Eddy | Richard Davignon |

III. Worship

- | | |
|-----------------|---------------------|
| 1. Church Choir | Selected Girl Choir |
|-----------------|---------------------|

IV. Home

- | | | |
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| 1. The West | | |
| David Clarke | Henry Camara | Arthur Wentzell |
| 2. The East | | |
| Geraldine LeClaire | | Howard Randall |
| Lorraine Wilbur | | Milton Eddy |
| Natalie Woodward | | Paul Gagne |
| 3. The South | | |
| Francis Titus | | Andrew Bennett |

V. Patriotism

- | | |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. The Revolutionary War | Oscar Valequett, Jr. |
| 2. The Civil War | Donald Corbeil, William Warfield |
| 3. World War I | David Dorothy |
| 4. World War II | Robert Walker |

VI. Finale—This is Worth Fighting For All Graduates

Presentation of Honor Awards Miss Loretta M. McHugh
Assistant Principal, Center School

Presentation of American Legion School Awards

Mr. George Charette Commander, Harold A. Healy Post
No. 222, American Legion

Presentation of the English Prizes awarded by
Norton Parent Teachers' Association
Mr. Leo G. Yelle, President

Presentation of Diplomas Professor E. J. Knapton
Chairman of the Norton School Committee

Benediction Reverend Oscar J. Aldrich
Chartley Methodist Church

Program under the direction of Grammar School Principals

Music under the direction of:

Mrs. Alice P. Illingworth, Supervisor of Music

Mrs. Dorothy Lincoln Clarke, Accompanist

Mr. and Mrs. Harold N. Rice, Scenery and Properties

GRADUATES

Center School

Charles S. Randall, Principal

Loretta M. McHugh, Assistant Principal

Andrew Edward Bennett, Lorraine Pauline Boulay, Henry Camara, Warren George Carr, David Elmer Clarke, Donald Joseph Corbeil, Barbara Lorrayne Dee, Nancy Foster, Ruth Adelaide Johnson, Mary Jeanette Louise Lajoie, Harry Colin Lane, Geraldine Anne LeClaire, John Daniel Little, Janis Louise Krall, Alton Joseph Miner, Rebecca Towne Nourse, Rose Marie Haroldine Orange, Hilda Sousa, Mary Elizabeth Thomas, Francis Wilbur Titus, Oscar Howard Valequett, Jr., Robert Walker, William Theodore Warfield, Marguerite Virginia Watson, Natalie Joanne Woodward.

Sturdy School

William Mahoney, Principal

Joan Frances Ash, Loraine Elsie Brasier, John Herbert Drane, Milton Clifford Eddy, Jr., Cyrille Paul Gagne, Annie Gross, Anne Haskell, Alice Rita Houde, Anne Myrtice Jenks, Shirley Lillian Jewett, Barbara Jane Roy, Anita Irene Varney, Edna Louise Varney, Arthur Owen Max Wentzell, Jr.

Barrowsville School

Mary Larkin, Principal

Edna E. Coccia, Richard Joseph Davignon, Harry David Dorothy, Louise Marie Garrity, Louise B. Hunt, Jean Anita LaRosee, Therese L. Tremblay, Lorraine Marie Wilbur.

NAMES OF PUPILS RECEIVING CERTIFICATE
FOR PERFECT ATTENDANCE, JUNE, 1943-44

Center School

Grade 4—Jean Scott
Grade 6—Lucille Teixeira
Grade 7—Carmella Pino
Grade 7—Ritamay Tucker
Grade 7—Leo Sanville
Grade 8—Marguerite Watson

Sturdy School

None

Barrowsville School

Grade 4—Leo Leroux
Grade 7—Shirley Mohr

Norton High School

June Cathcart
Alicia Ferrini
Esther Larson
Howard Pike

ATTENDANCE TABLE FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE, 1944

School		Aggregate Attendance	Average Daily Attendance	Total Member- ship	Average Member- ship	Percent of Attendance	Number Tardy Marks	Number of Dismissals
High	Boys	4796.0	26.21	33	28.55	91.49	49	13
	Girls	9767	53.37	63	57.67	92.54	99	14
Center	7 & 8	3986	22.78	30	25.92	87.83	21	0
	6 & 7	5091	29.09	35	32.31	87.99	62	3
	5 & 6	5324	30.42	35	33.75	90.13	23	3
	3 & 4	6340	36.22	43	40.55	81.41	58	6
	2 & 3	6091	34.80	46	41.93	82.99	48	7
	1	5058.5	28.90	46	38.44	74.53	16	0
Sturdy	7 & 8	4183	23.90	28	26.34	90.97	24	12
	5 & 6	4484	25.06	29	27.70	92.17	3	0
	3 & 4	4805.5	27.46	33	30.16	90.96	8	11
	1 & 2	4968.5	28.39	36	32.61	87.08	0	0
Barrowsville	6 & 8	3962	22.64	26	25.10	90.21	21	3
	3 & 4	4773	27.30	34	32.61	83.18	6	10
	1 & 2	4413	25.22	33	30.06	83.89	8	0
		78042.5	441.76	550	503.70	87.70	446	82

MEMBERSHIP IN NORTON SCHOOLS, OCTOBER 1, 1944

—BOYS—

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	Totals
	7	14	5	—	—	—	7	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	28
	—	—	—	—	—	15	10	10	7	6	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	34
	—	—	—	—	—	3	19	4	5	4	5	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	37
	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	1	5	4	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	20
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	9	11	4	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	28
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	11	—	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	17
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	10	8	4	3	1	—	—	—	—	28
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	6	6	3	—	—	—	—	—	18
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	6	2	—	—	—	—	16
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	4	—	—	—	—	9
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	3
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	—	—	—	5
Total	7	19	26	33	16	21	30	18	20	20	18	9	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	243

MEMBERSHIP IN NORTON SCHOOLS, OCTOBER 1, 1944

—GIRLS—

Grade	Age—	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	Totals
1		7	11	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	25
2		—	9	20	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	34
3		—	—	5	7	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	17
4		—	—	—	9	14	5	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	31
5		—	—	—	—	8	13	3	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	27
6		—	—	—	—	—	3	9	3	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	20
7		—	—	—	—	1	—	5	14	3	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	25
8		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	10	7	—	1	—	—	—	—	24
9		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	12	11	3	—	—	—	—	28
10		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	3	1	—	—	—	10
11		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	4	—	—	—	12
12		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	8	3	—	—	12
Total		7	20	32	19	29	22	20	24	19	23	17	17	13	3	—	—	265

TEACHERS, DECEMBER 31, 1944

School	Grade	Name	Date Ap- pointed	Where Educated
High		Charles S. Randall, B. S., Ed. M., Principal	1921	Harvard University
		Alta M. Estabrook, A. B.	1943	Colby College
		Gloria E. Merritt	1944	Middlebury College
		Jean M. Findlater, A. B.	1936	Wheaton College
		Helen J. Caffrey, B. S., Ed.	1917	Fitchburg State Teachers' College, Boston University
Center		Charlotte S. Harnden	1941	Framingham State Teachers' College
	7-8	Loretta McHugh, B. S., Ed. Prin.	1935	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
	6-7	Lucille Zwicker, A. B.	1937	Wheaton College
	5	Phyllis R. Powell	1944	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
	4	Rosemary C. Durant	1944	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
	3	Marie E. Gargan, B. S., Ed.	1943	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
	2	Mildred Greene	1924	Wheaton College
	1	Elisabeth Raymond, B. S., Ed.	1942	Teachers' College, Columbia Univ- ersity
	7-8	William Mahoney, B. S., Ed. Prin.	1942	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
	5-6	Mildred Wetherell	1921	Hyannis State Teachers' College
Sturdy	3-4	Lottie Perry	1944	Rhode Island College of Education
	2-1	Esther M. Bradstreet	1917	The Wheelock Kindergarten School

TEACHERS, DECEMBER 31, 1944—Continued

School	Grade	Name	Date Appointed	Where Educated
Barrowsville	6-8	Mary E. Larkin, B. S., Ed. Acting Principal	1941	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
	3-5	Margaret Mahoney	1943	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
	1-2	Dorothy Russell, B. S. Ed.	1941	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
	Drawing	Rowena B. Rice	1927	Worcester Art Museum
	Music	Alice M. Illingworth	1913	N. E. Conservatory of Music
Members of the teaching force on leave of absence for military service.		Capt. Robert Jackson, B. S. Ed.	1938	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
		Hg. Btry 101 FABN A.P.O. 26		Urbana Jr. College
		Lt. George F. Johnston, B. S. Ed.	1938	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
		Hg. C.S.C.T.C. Trng. Div. Capt. Henri A. Yelle, B. S. Ed. Decoration & Awards, Sub Branch	1935	University of Dayton

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1944

DISBURSEMENTS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT—SALARIES

Moderator:	
Vinton I. Reynolds	\$ 4.99
Samuel Thomas II	20.01
Selectmen:	
Vinton I. Reynolds	39.89
John B. Scott	200.00
John G. Adair	200.00
William J. Tucker	160.11
Board of Public Welfare:	
Bernard Cabisius	150.00
Lester M. Johnson	150.00
Vinton I. Reynolds	29.92
Mabel A. Richmond	120.08
Treasurer:	
George E. Smith	600.00
Collector:	
George E. Smith	800.00
Accountant:	
Arthur M. Freeman	600.00
Assessors:	
Leonard A. Witherell	500.00
William B. Fales	500.00
E. Francis Lemaire	500.00
Town Clerk:	
George E. Smith	150.00
Total	\$4,725.00

SELECTMEN'S EXPENSES

W. J. Tucker, Clerk (8 months)	\$50.00
John B. Scott, Clerk (4 months)	25.00
Hobbs & Warren, Forms	12.10
Bristol Co. Selectmen's Ass'n, Dues	9.00
Attleboro Sun, Advertising	8.85
Taunton Gazette, Advertising	4.11
Helen S. Totten, Stenographic Services	12.00

Vinton I. Reynolds, Expenses	14.85
John B. Scott, Expenses	27.00
John G. Adair, Expenses	42.45
William J. Tucker, Expenses	63.50
Total	<u>\$268.86</u>

ACCOUNTANT'S EXPENSES

Doris Durgin, Typing, etc.	\$25.00
Arthur M. Freeman, Expenses	73.85
Total	<u>\$98.85</u>

TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSES

George E. Smith, Recording Fees	\$120.00
George E. Smith, Office Rent	50.00
Attleboro Print, Printing	21.45
Hobbs & Warren, Forms	14.44
Robinson Seal Co., Forms	16.71
I. H. Seel, Bond	7.50
Davol Printing House, Certificates	4.41
Total	<u>\$234.51</u>

TAX COLLECTORS' EXPENSES

Doris Durgin, Clerical Work	\$325.00
Post Office, Stamps	168.00
A. W. LaFond Co., Tax Bills	64.70
Irene H. Seel, Collector's Bond	84.75
Robinson Seal Co., Cash Books	11.89
Attleboro Print, Printing	15.43
William A. Potter, Deputy, Investigations	78.00
James C. Watson, Services	4.00
Sun Publishing Co., Advertising	42.73
Registry of Deeds, Recording	49.42
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., Forms	4.77
Sullivan's Office Supply Co., Supplies	2.35
G. E. Smith, Rent	50.00
G. E. Smith, Fees	159.20
G. E. Smith, Expenses	48.35
Total	<u>\$1,108.59</u>

ASSESSORS EXPENSES

M. M. Miller, Transfer Cards	\$56.79
Davol Printing House, Printing	10.60
Mass. Assessors Ass'n, Dues	9.00
Drummond Printing Co., Forms	4.50
Hobbs & Warren, Forms	3.17
L. A. Witherell, Expenses	99.58
W. E. Fales, Expenses	115.47
P. L. Hinds, Expenses	99.60
Total	\$398.71

POLICE

Services:

B. B. Scanlon	
Services & Automobile Expenses	\$2,204.00
Court Fees	42.91
Carl H. Draper	34.00
Edward B. Allen	98.45
Josephine Crowley	11.60
Edward Bartley	21.00
Ralph Clapp	13.00
W. R. Scott	6.00
A. Marshall	6.00
H. Winter	5.00
S. Benaski	5.00

Other Expenses:

B. B. Scanlon, Telephone	44.04
Miscellaneous	9.00

Total	\$2,500.00
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FIRE

Salaries & Wages:

Harold L. Wetherell, Chief	\$1,820.00
Volunteer Firemen	641.50
Harry Hewins, Clerk	25.00

Other Expenses:

Norton Power & Electric Co., Services, Station and Siren	49.64
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., Services	101.11
Foster's Garage, Rent	60.00
Myron E. Briggs, Rent	60.00
Sturdy Bros., Rent of Land	25.00

Irving L. Dorr, Repairs	42.10
Norton Center Garage, Gasoline, Repairs, etc.	110.19
Foster's Garage, Repairs	67.45
Eureka Fire Hose Division, Hose	342.02
Joseph L. Kelley, Boots & Raincoats	39.93
Gorham Fire Equipment Co., Supplies	56.44
American LaFrance Foamite Corp., Extinguishers, etc.	41.19
W. S. Darley Co., Supplies	25.25
E. T. Roberts, Gasoline	33.29
Sears Roebuck & Co., Supplies	23.81
C. A. Baker, Supplies	12.40
J. H. Emerson Co., Repairs	11.09
Miscellaneous	23.48

Total	\$3,610.89
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MOTH

Labor:

Clifford Casey	\$74.80
Lester Holmes	20.80
Noah White	44.20
Fred McHugh	27.95
E. Cosgrove	130.00
Percy Hatch	182.00
Norton Center Garage, Gasoline, etc.	23.04
Pierce Hardware Co., Supplies	1.64

Total	\$504.43
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FOREST FIRES

Sundry Persons, Fighting Fires	\$843.75
Norton Center Garage, Rent & Repairs	40.55
Gorham Fire Equipment Co., Extinguishers	47.75

Total	\$932.05
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REFORESTATION

Labor:

Clifford Casey	\$13.60
Lester Holmes	23.40
Noah White	26.00
Fred McHugh	26.00

Total	\$89.00
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TREE WARDEN

Labor:

Albert S. Lincoln	\$42.50
Clifford Casey	23.80
Lester Holmes	15.60
Noah White	17.55
Fred McHugh	18.20
E. Cosgrove	15.60
Maurice Casey	18.20
Lawrence Rinehard, with truck	53.40
Albert Pelletier, with tractor	15.00
Miscellaneous	18.40

Total	\$238.25
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SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Robinson Seal Co., Supplies	\$8.58
Lewis Rubin, Services, Expenses	129.60

Total	\$138.18
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TOWN FARM REPAIRS

Mount Hope Finishing Co., Repairs	\$23.85
Wilfred Bessette, Painting	125.00
Babbitt & Simmons, Repairs	2.05

Total	\$150.90
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BOARD OF HEALTH

Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital, Board and Care	\$589.50
C. V. Chapin Hospital, Board & Care	200.00
Mass. Memorial Hospital, Board & Care	104.00
Alphee Pelletier, Inspector of Slaughtering	100.00
Alphee Pelletier, Inspector of Animals	100.00
Lewis Rubin, Milk Inspector	50.00
E. W. Clarke, M. D., Services	123.00
Town of Mansfield, Ambulance Service	20.50
Sharp & Dolune, Serum	13.72
Alphee Pelletier, Expenses	3.80

Total	\$1,304.52
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BRISTOL COUNTY TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

County Treasurer	\$1,792 .24
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Total	\$1,792 .24
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SCHOOL NURSE

Services	\$900 .00
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Total	\$900 .00
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DOG OFFICER

Stephen Benaski, Services & Expenses	\$81 .00
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Total	\$81 .00
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Labor:

Clifford Casey	\$1,644 .90
L. A. Foster	24 .00
Lester Holmes	1,005 .10
Noah White	1,075 .35
Fred McHugh	1,030 .10
E. Cosgrove	501 .15
Maurice Casey	232 .05
Joseph Gefis	72 .80
Percy Hatch	50 .70
Raymond Bilodeau	20 .80
Richard Owen	26 .00
Herbert Bryant	8 .45

Rental of Trucks & Equipment:

George E. Mandigo	269 .30
Charles T. Alger	110 .00
Town of Norton, Equipment Fund	1,426 .20

Stone, Gravel, etc.:

R. E. Vickery	188 .00
Geo. E. Mandigo	776 .45
H. H. Vickery	32 .75
Peter Blette	8 .70
Mrs. M. Tully	10 .65
W. E. Fales	10 .80

Other Road Material:

Koppers Company	2,541 .18
Independent Coal Tar Co.	1,190 .52

Total	\$12,255 .95
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STREET LIGHTS

Norton Power & Electric Co., Services	\$1,921.56
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Total	\$1,921.56
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HIGHWAY—CHAPTER 90—MAINTENANCE

Labor:

Clifford Casey	\$110.50
Lester Holmes	53.10
Noah White	63.05
Fred McHugh	53.10
E. Cosgrove	34.90
Percy Hatch	34.90
Koppers Co., Road Material	809.66
George E. Mandigo, Trucks	80.00
George E. Mandigo, Sand	165.75
Chas. T. Alger, Rent of Sand Spreader	24.00
Town of Norton Equipment Fund	75.20

Total	\$1,504.16
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BRIDGES & EQUIPMENT

Labor:

Clifford Casey	\$73.10
Lester Holmes	41.60
Noah White	46.80
Fred McHugh	46.80
E. Cosgrove	20.80
Gilbert Casey	28.60
Maurice Casey	5.20
Percy Hatch	15.60
Miscellaneous Supplies	7.65

Total	\$286.15
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SNOW REMOVAL

Labor:

Clifford Casey	\$388.45
L. A. Foster	26.00
Lester Holmes	161.20
Noah White	229.35
Fred McHugh	195.45
Richard Owen	36.95
Percy Hatch	22.05
Ernest White	24.00

Ralph Leonard	28.65
Miscellaneous	30.00
Trucks & Equipment	
W. E. Fales	198.75
B. F. Fales	183.75
Samuel Wright	15.00
Town of Norton Equipment Fund	269.50
Total	\$1,809.10

EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT

Norton Center Garage, Gasoline, Tires, Supplies, Etc.	\$865.45
Foster's Garage, Repairs	120.16
M. F. Ellis & Co., Supplies	83.30
P. I. Perkins Co., Parts	56.74
Pratt Equipment Co., Repairs	51.25
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Service	35.83
Wm. F. Flynn & Son, Supplies	18.83
Firestone Stores, Repairs	15.50
American Chain Link Fence Co., Parts	13.01
H. L. Wetherell, Paint	11.05
Miscellaneous Expenses	59.95
Labor:	
Clifford Casey	27.20
Lester Holmes	9.60
Noah White	14.60
Fred McHugh	9.60
Total	\$1,392.07

PUBLIC WELFARE—ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Alice M. Rosequist, Salary	\$1,560.00
Alice M. Rosequist, Expenses	249.42
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Service	53.01
R. W. Fales, Oil	43.03
Attleboro Print, Printing	17.64
Sullivan's Office Supply Co., Repairs & Supplies	18.80
Boston Council of Social Agencies, Dues	10.50
Miscellaneous	9.28
Total	\$1,961.68

Note: The above total was charged to the following accounts:

Town Appropriation	\$1,511.68
Federal Grant—O A A Administration	450.00
	\$1,961.68

PUBLIC WELFARE

Cash Aid:	
Sundry Persons	\$1,001.00
Groceries:	
M. O. Alger	76.52
E. Teixeira	35.64
Board & Care:	
Sundry Persons	421.00
Medicine and Medical Attendance:	
E. W. Clarke, M. D.	421.00
Norton Hospital	218.20
Sturdy Memorial Hospital	60.50
Miscellaneous	23.10
State Institutions:	
Division of Child Guardianship	366.00
Reimbursement to other Cities & Towns:	
City of Attleboro	274.58
Town of Berkley	95.00
City of Brockton	23.85
Miscellaneous	112.78
Total	
	\$3,129.17

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Sundry Persons, Cash Aid	\$2,026.45
Total	
	\$2,026.45

Note: Of the above total, \$1,276.45 was charged to the Town Appropriation, and the balance \$750.00 to the Federal Grant

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Sundry Persons, Cash Aid	\$30,505.75
City of Fall River	190.64
City of Attleboro	744.22
City of Revere	80.00
Town of Hingham	28.14

City of Taunton	60.00
City of Somerville	45.00

Total	\$31,653.75
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Note: Of the above total, \$17,653.75 was charged to the Town Appropriation, and the balance, \$14,000—to the Federal Grant.

SOLDIERS RELIEF

Sundry Persons, Cash Aid	\$325.00
E. W. Clarke, M. D., Services	163.00
Miscellaneous	17.00
Total	\$505.00

STATE AND MILITARY AID

Sundry Persons, Cash Aid	\$169.00
Total	\$169.00

SCHOOLS

Superintendent:

L. G. Nourse, Salary & Travel Allowance	\$2,500.00
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Teachers Salaries:

Charles A. Randall	\$2,700.00
Helen J. Caffrey	1,750.00
Jean Findlater	1,640.00
Helen Doherty	175.00
Alta M. Estabrook	1,361.63
Loretta McHugh	1,991.25
Lucille A. Zwicker	1,440.00
Marie B. Gargan	1,310.00
Mildred B. Greene	1,440.00
Elizabeth J. Raymond	1,330.00
William Mahoney	1,520.00
Mildred Wetherell	1,300.00
C. Lenore Roberts	770.00
Esther M. Bradstreet	1,371.75
Mary Larkin	1,530.00
Margret Mahoney	1,340.00
Dorothy Russell	1,330.00
Alice Illingworth	855.00
Rowena B. Rice	850.00
Ruby B. Mitchell	830.00
Charlotie S. Harnden	1,460.75

Marion C. Fales	301.13	
Gloria E. Merritt	1,278.94	
Marjorie C. Foster	92.50	
Lois B. Baker	21.50	
Kathleen P. Sweet	27.50	
Edna Malta	30.00	
Phyllis E. Powell	530.00	
Rosemary Durant	434.00	
Lottie A. Perry	610.00	
Lucille Nourse	11.00	
Dorothy Robello	10.00	
		31,641.95
Books		1,016.02
Educational Supplies		1,784.77
Tuition:		
City of Attleboro	230.52	
City of Taunton	171.02	
Weymouth Vocational School	76.95	
		478.49
Transportation:		
Walter Barrows	3,298.00	
Carleton Draper	1,930.00	
H. W. Honey	1,550.00	
		6,778.00
Janitors' Services:		
John Helpard	1,790.00	
Fred Keene	1,092.00	
Eugene Courchesne	1,013.34	
Charles Adair	40.00	
Adelbert Lamothe	18.00	
		3,953.34
Fuel and Light		
F. E. Roach	1,917.98	
Norton Power & Electric Co.	416.67	
Attleboro Coal Co.	213.49	
Taunton Gas Light Co.	73.26	
		\$2,621.40
Maintenance and Repairs:		
M. G. Perry	913.11	
Brulin & Co.	235.34	
H. L. Greene	182.00	
M. F. Ashley & Co.	140.48	
I. L. Dorr	137.00	
Brownell Hardware Co.	106.92	

C. S. Randall	238.61	
John S. Cheever & Co.	95.90	
Pope & Read	65.79	
Clifford Casey	64.25	
Eugene Courchesne	67.50	
Whitty Co.	46.06	
Ole G. Seel	41.59	
Leo Yelle	37.19	
Miscellaneous	450.70	
		2,822.44
New Equipment		
Massachusetts Reformatory	170.06	
Westcott, Slade & Balcom	50.00	
Miscellaneous	47.93	
		\$267.99
Miscellaneous:		
Helen W. Gavin, Clerk of School Committee	35.00	
Mabel H. Cutler, Clerical Services	198.00	
Mrs. Alex Rich, Clerical Services	156.75	
Gladys Sousa, Clerical Services	56.95	
Carl H. Draper, Truant Officer	55.00	
N. E. Telephone & Telegraph Co., Services	185.63	
Wm. Mahoney, Expenses, Summer Course	50.00	
Dorothy Russell, Expenses, Summer Course	50.00	
Gloria E. Merritt, Expenses Summer Course	50.00	
L. G. Nourse, Traveling Expenses	68.17	
Teachers Retirement Fund, Payment for Teachers in Military Service	278.70	
American Legion, Rent	350.00	
E. W. Clarke, M. D., School physician	200.00	
Miscellaneous	146.18	
		\$1,880.38
Total		\$55,744.78

Note: \$806.05 of the salary of Charlotie S. Harnden, included in the above total, was charged to the George Dean Fund.

LIBRARY	
Norton Public Library	\$1,000 .00
Total	\$1,000 .00
CARE OF COMMON	
Sundry Persons, Labor, etc.	\$34 .60
Total	\$34 .60
MEMORIAL DAY	
Boston Store, Flags	\$65 .75
Attleboro Drum & Bugle Corps, Services	50 .00
Bruce the Florist, Wreaths	10 .00
Total	\$125 .75
TOWN REPORTS	
C. A. Hack & Son, Printing	\$821 .00
Sundry Persons, Distributing	18 .00
Total	\$839 .00
INSURANCE	
Ora A. Andrews	\$1,049 .93
Edgar M. Holmes Agency	982 .47
Travelers Insurance Co.	129 .80
Total	\$2,162 .20
UNPAID BILLS	
Stephen Benaski, Services, Dog Officer, 1943	\$25 .00
Total	\$25 .00
COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Services	\$129 .38
Edgar M. Holmes Agency, Bond	5 .00
Total	\$134 .38
CEMETERY CARE	
Labor:	
F. W. Hatch	\$323 .50
Edward Gwilliam	231 .75
Miscellaneous	27 .00
W. C. S. Wood, Fertilizer, Seed, etc.	27 .40
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Services	16 .43
Miscellaneous Expenses	73 .07
Total	\$699 .15
Note: \$539.05 was charged to Cemetery Funds, leaving \$160.10 against the Town Appropriation	

WATER

Administrative Expenses:

Leonard A. Witherell, Clerk	\$200.00
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Service	76.40
The Davol Printing House, Bills	19.60
N. E. Waterworks, Assn., Dues	12.00
Miscellaneous	3.58

Labor:

Fred Miller	2,650.00
Eugene Pike	918.00
Manuel Aguiar	870.00

Other Expenses:

Norton Power & Electric Co., Power	2,426.20
Pump Service Co., New Pump & Repairs	553.99
Norton Center Garage, Gasoline, Repairs, etc.	240.28
B. N. Katz Furniture Co., Stove	129.50
A. H. Foster, Repairs	74.75
J. C. Pratt, Gasoline, Supplies, etc.	50.34
H. L. Wetherell, Paint	38.95
W. R. Park, Inc., Fittings	31.95
Walworth Co., Valves	31.35
Swank, Inc., Water Meters	25.50
Foster's Garage, Repairs	25.25
Wm. F. Flynn & Son, Supplies	25.31
M. O. Alger, Oil	23.70
W. C. S. Wood, Coal	28.00
M. F. Ashley & Co., Supplies	21.70
Electric Shop, Fixtures	22.70
Miscellaneous	131.41

Total	\$8,630.46
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WATER EXTENSION—MANSFIELD AVE.

Charles L. Shea, Excavating and Laying Main	\$3,285.00
Johns-Manville Sales Corp., Pipe	2,197.94
Cambridge Machine & Valve Co., Hydrants	245.00
George A. Caldwell Co., Fittings	144.80
E. R. LeBaron Foundry Co., Fittings	84.57
Miscellaneous	42.69

Total	\$6,000.00
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INTEREST

Old Colony Trust Co., Water Loan	\$1,572.50
East Weymouth Savings Bank	
High School Heating Plant	12.50
Total	\$1,585.00

DEBT

Old Colony Trust Co., Water Loan	\$4,000.00
East Weymouth Savings Bank,	
High School Heating Plant	\$1,000.00
Total	\$5,000.00

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES

Commonwealth of Massachusetts	
State Tax	\$4,719.00
State Audit Tax	83.72
State Parks & Reservation Tax	113.57
Total	\$4,916.29
County of Bristol, County Tax	\$4,252.11
Total	\$9,168.40

DOG LICENSES

County of Bristol	\$807.00
Total	\$807.00

FIRE DISTRICT TAXES

W. C. S. Wood, Treasurer, Fire District	\$4,296.29
Total	\$4,296.29

PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

George E. Smith, Treasurer	\$700.00
Total	\$700.00

REFUNDS

Real and Personal Taxes	\$1.50
Motor Vehicle Excise	2.45
Water	20.00
Total	\$23.95

WITHHOLDING TAXES

Collector of Internal Revenue	\$5,598.40
Total	<u>\$5,598.40</u>

POST WAR REHABILITATION FUND

U. S. Treasury Certificates	\$35,000.00
Total	<u>\$35,000.00</u>
Total Disbursements	\$217,538.85

STATEMENT, HICKS RESERVE FUND, 1944

Received

Dividends from Stocks	\$2,071.75
Co-op Bank and Loans	480.00
Interest Savings Banks	30.00
Interest from Bonds	787.50
Interest from Government Securities	550.00
Premiums from sale of Bonds	787.50
Premiums from sale of Stocks	1,110.90
	<u>\$5,636.30</u>

Securities Sold

C, B and Q R. R.	\$5,000.00
100 Sh Mfgs Tr	4,050.00
Gatineau Power	5,000.00
Eastern St Gas	5,000.00
	<u>\$19,050.00</u>
Cash at beginning of year	1,709.77
	<u>\$26,396.07</u>

Paid

Series "G" Bonds	\$20,000.00
Savings Banks Deposits	4,500.00
Treasurer's Bond	150.00
Rent Safe Deposit Box	12.00
Service and Shipping Chgs	2.54
Legal Services	90.00
Town of Norton per bequest	100.00

Trust Fund as per bequest	100 .00
Care of Funds	145 .00
Cash uninvested Dec. 31	1,296 .53
	\$26,396 .07

	Gross Income	
As above	\$5,636 .30	
Int. accrued on \$64,000. "F" Bonds	1,619 .20	
Total	\$7,255 .50	
Less payments	599 .54	
Net increase for year	\$6,655 .96	

GEORGE E. SMITH, Treas.

INVENTORY HICKS RESERVE FUND

JANUARY 1, 1945

Cash uninvested	\$1,296 .53
Attleboro Savings Bank	6,500 .00
Norton Sav. and Loan Association	10,500 .00
Taunton Co-operative Bank	2,000 .00
U. S. Series F Maturity Bonds \$64,000.00	51,693 .86
U. S. Treasury 2½ 1964-69	22,000 .00
U. S. Bonds Series G	20,000 .00
Boston Edison Company	5,000 .00
Eastern States Refrigerating Co.	100 .00
Great Northern Ry.	5,000 .00
NY NH and H. Ry. Company	3,000 .00
Potter Realty Company	2,000 .00
Southern California Edison	5,000 .00
100 shares Aetna Life Insurance Co.	4,000 .00
28 Shares Atch Top S. F. Ry. Co.	2,800 .00
100 Shares First Boston Corporation	3,875 .00
200 Shares First Nat. Bank of Boston	9,025 .00
400 Shares National Shawmut of Boston	10,575 .00
49 Shares Second National Bank of Boston	5,480 .00
Inventory January 1, 1945	\$169,845 .39
Inventory January 1, 1944	163,189 .43
Increase in Assets	\$6,655 .96

HICKS TRUST FUND 1944

Dr.

Cash balances January 1, 1944	\$62.54
Income received from investments	252.25
Received from Reserve Fund	100.00
	\$414.79

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Paid service charges bank	\$1.55	
Bills for labor	116.75	
Pratt's Store paint	1.35	
Bruce the Florist	28.00	
$\frac{1}{2}$ income to town	126.12	
Cash on hand (income)	141.02	414.79

(uninvested Principal \$134.20)

INVENTORY

50 Shares Nat. Shawmut Bank	\$1,256.25
30 Shares Nat. Shawmut Bank	705.00
4 Bonds B & M Ry. 1st Mtg.	400.00
1 Bond-B & M Ry. Income Mtg. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ '70	1,000.00
1 Bond Eastern States Ref. Co.	1,000.00
Uninvested funds	134.20

GEORGE E. SMITH, Treasurer

MISCELLANEOUS OTHER TRUST FUNDS

SALE OF PINES FUND

Balance January 1, 1944	\$4,946.46	
Interest received	95.75	
		\$5,042.21
Funds withdrawn		250.00
Balance January 1, 1945		\$4,792.21

Balance January 1, 1944	\$343.84	
Interest received	3.44	
Balance January 1, 1945		\$347.28

HENRIETTA HODGES—LIBRARY FUND

Balance January 1, 1944	\$2,040 .20	
Interest received	41 .00	
Balance January 1, 1945		\$2,081 .20

WATERMAN ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1944	\$199 .52	
Interest received	2 .00	
Balance January 1, 1945		\$201 .52

GEORGE E. SMITH, Treasurer

TREASURER'S RECEIPTS

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:	
Income Tax	\$12,479 .13
Corporation Taxes	9,523 .53
School Fund	5,772 .34
Superintendent of Schools	1,154 .57
Vocational Education	381 .02
Highway Fund	5,187 .99
English Speaking Classes	113 .75
Snow Removal	72 .00
Meal Tax	706 .43
Director of Standards	30 .00
Highways—Chap. 81	5,020 .20
Highways—Chap. 90	500 .00
Public Welfare	481 .55

Old Age Assistance	11,105.96
Aid to Dependent Children	681.79
State Aid	145.25
Old Age Assistance—Federal Grant	14,541.91
Aid to Dependent Children—Federal Grant	850.69
George—Dean Fund	800.00
George E. Smith, Collector:	
Real & Personal Taxes	76,898.77
Poll Taxes	1,662.00
Motor Vehicle Excise	4,216.42
Fire District Taxes	4,210.14
Water Rates	19,573.16
Interest on Taxes	483.82
Interest on Motor Vehicle Excise	3.74
Poll Demands	25.90
Other Receipts:	
Sundry Persons, Licenses & Fees	3,669.71
Sale of Pines Fund, Withdrawal	250.00
Town of Norton, Equipment Fund	1,745.60
Sundry Persons, Withholding Taxes	5,471.07
County of Bristol, Highway—Ch. 90	500.00
County of Bristol, Dog Fund	650.50
Sundry Persons, Redemption of Tax Titles	2,228.19
Other Cities & Towns, Welfare	516.26
Other Cities & Towns, Old Age Assistance	40.00
Sundry Persons, Dog Licenses	836.40
Sundry Persons, Perpetual Care Funds	700.00
Cemetery Funds, Care of Lots	539.05
Rent—Town Farm	315.00
Fines	202.00
Interest & Costs on Tax Titles Redeemed	212.04
Equipment Fund—Interest	91.19
City of Boston, Tuition	61.43
Hicks Reserve Fund	100.00
Hicks Trust Fund, $\frac{1}{2}$ Income	126.12
Other Towns, Use of Town Equipment	58.00
Interest, etc., Post War Rehabilitation Fund	142.46
N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R., Forest Fires	100.00
Miscellaneous	7.64
Total	\$195,184.72

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

Balance Jan. 1, 1944		\$815.95
Commitments—Levy of 1944		4,111.28
Refunds		2.45
Adjustments		1.15
		\$4,930.83
Less:		
Collections	\$4,216.42	
Abatements	463.61	4,680.03
Balances Dec. 31, 1944		
Levy of 1943	82.57	
Levy of 1944	168.23	
		250.80

FIRE DISTRICT TAXES

Balances Jan. 1, 1944		896.06
Commitments—Levy of 1944		3,822.85
Adjustments		10.14
		4,729.05
Less:		
Collections	4,210.14	
Abatements	6.70	
Tax Titles	10.53	
Adjustments	96.29	
		4,323.66
Balances Dec. 31, 1944		
Levy of 1943	67.82	
Levy of 1943	337.57	
		405.39

GENERAL TAXES

Balances Jan. 1, 1944		\$16,130.00
Commitments:		
Poll	\$2,202.00	
Personal	6,349.50	
Real	67,337.25	
		75,888.75

Refunds		1.50	
Payments not Assessed		46.00	
Adjustments		96.30	
			<u>\$92,162.55</u>
Less:			
Collections	78,560.77		
Tax Titles	841.03		
Abatements	1,180.81		
	14.17		
			<u>80,596.78</u>
Balances Dec. 31, 1944			
Levy of 1943	996.06		
Levy of 1944	10,569.71		
			<u>\$11,565.77</u>

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

I submit herewith my report for the year 1944.

GENERAL

The following is a summary of the financial operations of the Town for the year 1944:

Appropriations voted at Annual Town Meeting		\$151,152.36	
State & County Taxes		9,604.79	
			<u>\$160,757.15</u>
Total Amount to be Provided			
Less Transfers:			
From Excess & Deficiency Account	\$18,000.00		
From Overlay Surplus	2,000.00		
From Equipment Fund	1,000.00		
From Sale of Pines Fund	250.00	21,250.00	
			<u>\$139,507.15</u>
Total Amount to be Raised from Current Revenue			
Poll & Property Taxes Levied	75,884.25		
Overlay for Year	2,736.02	73,148.23	
			<u></u>

Estimated Revenue from Other Sources	66,358 .92	
Actual Revenue Received	78,203 .76	
Excess of Receipts over Estimates	\$11,844 .84	
Less: 1944 Taxes charged to Tax Titles, less additional taxes assessed	616 .50	
Surplus Revenue for the year	11,228 .34	
Appropriation Balances Closed Out	4,040 .76	
Total surplus for the year	15,269 .10	
Excess & Deficiency Account, January 1, 1944	76,087 .93	
Tax Title Redemptions	2,228 .19	
Miscellaneous Credits	34 .01	
	\$93,619 .23	
Less:		
Transfers, as above	\$18,000 .00	
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	35,000 .00	
Tax Titles	208 .03	53,208 .03
Excess & Deficiency Account December 31, 1944		\$40,411 .20

CASH

The general cash balance at the end of the year was \$58,943.35, against \$81,600.94 at the beginning of the year, a decrease of \$22,657.59 for the year.

TAXES

Uncollected taxes at December 31, 1943 show a further reduction in comparison with the previous year. The status of the accounts for the past few years is shown below:

	December 31, 1942	December 31, 1943	December 31, 1944
Current year's taxes outstanding (Percentage of total levy)	18.5%	16.9%	13.9%
Prior year's taxes outstanding (Amount)	\$5,146.15	\$4,013.94	\$996.06
Motor Vehicle Excise Outstanding	848.50	714.17	250.80
Fire District Taxes Outstanding	867.43	896.06	405.39

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE—WATER

Collections of water rates during 1944 were \$19,553.16, a decrease of only \$791.23 from 1943, although residential rates were reduced 25% during the year. The balance outstanding at the end of the year was \$2,440.95, against \$4,158.51 at the end of 1943.

DEBT

The bonded debt of the Town at December 31, 1944 was \$35,000. consisting entirely of the Water Loan. This amount is payable at the rate of \$4,000 annually through 1949, and at \$3,000 annually from 1950 through 1954.

POST-WAR REHABILITATION FUND

This fund amounted to \$35,142.46 at December 31, 1944, included U. S. Treasury Certificates in the amount of \$35,000. and cash of \$142.46. This fund has been included from the general balance sheet in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR M. FREEMAN,

Town Accountant

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

	Balance Jan. 1, 1945	Appro- priation	Receipts & Transfers	Total	Expended	Balance Dec. 31, 1944
General Govt.—Salaries		\$4,775.00		\$4,775.00	\$4,775.00	
Town Clerk's Expenses		275.00		275.00	234.51	40.49
Treasurer's Expenses		700.00		700.00	697.09	2.91
Tax Collector's Expenses		900.00	242.09	1,142.09	1,108.59	33.50
Selectmen's Expenses		275.00		275.00	268.86	6.14
Assessors' Expenses		400.00		400.00	398.71	1.29
Accountant's Expenses		150.00		150.00	98.85	51.15
Election and Registration		600.00	186.01	786.01	786.01	
Legal		150.00		150.00	123.00	27.00
Town Hall		600.00	18.37	618.37	618.37	
Town Hall—Plumbing	\$275.00			275.00		275.00*
Police		2,500.00		2,500.00	2,500.00	
Fire		3,620.00		3,620.00	3,610.89	9.11
Sealer of Weights and Measures	140.00			140.00	138.18	1.82
Tree Warden		175.00	63.25	238.25	238.25	
Forest Fires		600.00	332.05	932.05	932.05	
Moth		600.00		600.00	504.43	95.57
Reforestation		250.00		250.00	89.00	161.00
Town Farm Repairs	310.85	350.00		660.85	150.90	509.95*
Dog Officer		75.00	6.00	81.00	81.00	
Board of Health		800.00	504.52	1,304.52	1,304.52	
B. C. T. B. Hospital		1,792.24		1,792.24	1,792.24	

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES—(Cont.)

	Balance Jan. 1, 1944	Appro- priation	Receipts & Transfers	Total	Expended	Balance Dec. 31, 1944
School Nurse		900.00		900.00	900.00	
Highway Ch. 81		5,700.00	7,125.00	12,825.00	12,255.95	569.05
Highway—Ch. 90	66.48			66.48		66.48*
Highway—Ch. 90—Maintenance		500.00	1,004.16	1,504.16	1,504.16	
Bridges and Equipment		900.00		900.00	286.15	613.85
Snow Removal		1,500.00	309.10	1,809.10	1,809.10	
Street Lights		1,980.12		1,980.12	1,921.56	58.56
W. P. A. Fund	259.02			259.02		259.02*
Equipment Account	435.22	1,000.00		1,435.22	1,392.07	43.15*
Equipment Account—New Equipment	919.50			919.50		919.50*
Public Welfare—Administration		1,560.00		1,560.00	1,511.68	48.32
Public Welfare		4,000.00		4,000.00	3,129.17	870.83
Aid to Dependent Children		1,540.00		1,540.00	1,276.45	263.55
Old Age Assistance		18,000.00		18,000.00	17,653.75	346.25
Soldiers Relief		650.00		650.00	505.00	145.00
State and Military Aid		300.00		300.00	169.00	131.00
Schools		54,981.00		54,981.00	54,938.73	42.27
Schools—Laboratory Repairs		18.49		18.49		18.49*
Library		1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00	
Care of Common		75.00		75.00	34.60	40.40
Memorial Day		125.00	.75	125.75	125.75	

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES—(Cont.)

	Balance Jan. 1, 1944	Appro- priation	Receipts & Transfers	Total	Expended	Balance Dec. 31, 1944
Town Reports		839.00		839.00	839.00	
Reserve Fund		2,000.00	(1,996.76)	3.24		3.24
Insurance		2,400.00		2,400.00	2,162.20	237.80
Unpaid Bills	20.00	25.00		45.00	25.00	20.00*
Committee on Public Safety	499.31			499.31	134.38	364.93*
Water		8,300.00	330.46	8,630.46	8,630.46	
Water—No. Worcester Street	523.49			523.49		523.49*
Water—Washington Street	3,171.12			3,171.12		3,171.12*
Water—Mansfield Avenue		6,000.00		6,000.00	6,000.00	
Water—Additional Supply		10,000.00		10,000.00		10,000.00*
Cemeteries		500.00		500.00	160.10	339.90
Interest		1,650.00		1,650.00	1,585.00	65.00
Debt		5,000.00		5,000.00	5,000.00	
	\$6,498.48	\$151,152.36	\$8,125.00	\$165,775.84	\$145,399.71	\$20,376.13

*Balance carried forward to 1945.

BALANCE SHEET—GENERAL ACCOUNTS—DEC. 31, 1944—AND 1943

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ASSETS	December 31 1944	December 31 1943	LIABILITIES	December 31, 1944	December 31, 1943
Cash			Special Funds		
General	\$58,943.35	\$81,600.94	Pine Fund	\$4,857.46	\$4,946.46
Pine Fund	4,857.46	4,946.46	War Memorial Fund	343.84	343.84
War Memorial Fund	343.84	343.84	Highway Equipment Fund	5,786.33	4,982.73
Totals	\$64,144.65	\$86,981.24	Appropriation Balances	\$10,987.63	\$10,273.03
				16,171.13	6,498.48
Accounts Receivable			Federal Grants	666.42	479.87
General Taxes	11,565.77	16,130.00	Overestimates—State & County Taxes		3.30
Motor Vehicle Excise	250.80	714.17	Overlays:		
Fire Dist. Taxes	405.39	896.06	Balances	3,111.83	4,964.97
Water Rates	2,440.95	4,158.51	Surplus	6,291.40	4,879.81
Public Welfare, OAA & ADC	2,401.79	182.29	Totals	9,403.23	9,844.78
Tax Titles	1,906.90	3,027.93	Reserved Against Uncollected Revenue	9,240.64	11,457.47
Tax Title Possessions	1,834.81	2,478.51	Withholding Tax Deductions	808.90	936.23
State Aid to. Highways	2,748.52	643.72	Due County Treas.—Dog Licenses	29.40	
Perpetual Care Funds	18.97	18.97	Surplus Revenue	40,411.20	76,087.93
Totals	\$23,573.90	\$28,250.16			
				\$87,718.55	\$115,581.09
Underestimates—State & County	439.69				

 BURIAL FUNDS

 COMMON CEMETERY

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit		Ex- pended Care of Lots	Balance Jan. 1, 1945
		Jan. 1, 1944 & Inc. New 1944 Funds	Interest Re- ceived		
Alden	\$100.00	\$102.15	\$2.05	\$2.00	\$102.20
Arno, Saloni-us-Flora	75.00	75.96	1.88	.75	77.09
Arnold, Emelia K.	100.00	102.76	1.54	2.00	102.30
Barker, Alfred	100.00	102.50	1.54	2.00	102.04
Bernasconi-Drake	100.00	102.35	1.54	2.00	101.89
Blandin, Benjamin A.	50.00	50.61	1.25	—	51.86
Braman, Isaac T.	100.00	102.22	1.54	2.00	101.76
Briggs, Alfred Allen	150.00	153.39	2.31	3.00	152.70
Briggs, Charles H.	100.00	102.57	2.05	2.00	102.62
Briggs, Charles L.-Kate R.	100.00	102.57	2.05	2.00	102.62
Briggs, E. Lyman-Ellen	100.00	142.94	2.50	—	145.44
Burgess, Thomas H.	100.00	102.76	1.54	2.00	102.30
Card, Thomas	100.00	102.56	1.54	2.00	102.10
Chase, William C.	100.00	102.43	1.54	2.00	101.97
Codding, Erastus-Susan	100.00	101.94	2.50	1.00	103.44
Colby, Alice Skinner	100.00	101.11	2.50	1.00	102.61
Collum, Harry J.	100.00	101.40	2.50	1.00	102.90
Cook and Boucher	100.00	204.24	3.07	4.00	203.31
Crossman and Hogan	200.00	201.33	3.03	—	204.36
Danforth, Henry G.	100.00	102.80	2.05	2.00	102.85
Danforth, Lemuel	100.00	102.29	1.54	2.00	101.83
Fiske and Eddy	100.00	204.42	3.07	3.00	204.49
Fiske, S. Frank & Frank E.	100.00	102.38	1.54	2.00	101.92
Fletcher, George	100.00	102.56	1.54	2.00	102.10
Forbes, William	50.00	50.79	1.25	—	52.04
Freeman, Charles A.	100.00	102.51	1.54	—	104.05
Freeman, Edgar A.	100.00	101.66	2.50	1.00	103.16
Freeman, Henry S.	100.00	102.32	1.54	2.00	101.86
Freeman, Nathaniel-Sarah	100.00	102.32	1.54	2.00	101.86
Gardner, Eliza New	100.00	100.00	.38	—	100.38
Hall, Richard Henry	100.00	102.19	1.54	2.00	101.73
Hall, Richard Hutchins	100.00	102.15	1.54	2.00	101.69
Harvey, John J. Herbert	200.00	204.64	3.08	4.00	203.72
Haskell, Geo. O.	100.00	100.67	1.51	—	102.18
Hill, Jemima	100.00	101.16	2.50	1.00	102.66
Hodges, Anna E.	100.00	102.62	1.54	2.00	102.16
Hodges, Leonard M.	100.00	102.21	1.54	2.00	101.75

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit		Expended	
		Jan. 1, 1944 & Inc. New Funds	Interest Re- ceived	Care of Lots	Balance Jan. 1, 1945
Hodges, William	300.00	306.53	4.61	6.00	305.14
Holmes and Benham	200.00	204.70	3.08	4.00	203.78
Hunt and Taipe	175.00	179.90	2.70	3.00	179.60
Inman	100.00	102.68	1.54	—	104.22
King, Mary B.	100.00	101.87	2.50	1.00	103.37
King, Philip B.	100.00	102.99	1.54	2.00	102.53
Lane, Alice-Ellen W.	100.00	102.83	2.05	2.00	102.88
Lane, A. D.-William A.	300.00	361.83	7.26	15.00	354.09
Lane, Captain Calvin	50.00	51.31	.76	1.00	51.07
Lane, C. D.-O. H.	300.00	313.23	7.87	5.00	316.10
Lane, Elmer E.	150.00	153.15	2.31	3.00	152.46
Leonard, Everett R.	100.00	102.35	2.05	2.00	102.40
Leonard, Henrietta F.	5,000.00	5,072.02	125.98	70.00	5,128.00
Leonard, Luen C.-Jacob A.	150.00	153.62	3.08	3.00	153.70
Lewis, Graciella	100.00	101.08	2.50	1.00	102.58
Lincoln, Effia M.	100.00	101.63	2.50	1.00	103.13
Messinger, Charles O.	150.00	151.84	3.75	1.00	154.59
Morey, Samuel Esq.	150.00	162.59	2.44	—	165.03
Palmer, Ephriam	100.00	102.86	2.58	2.00	103.44
Parker	100.00	112.12	1.68	—	113.80
Pearse, Edwin S.	150.00	156.12	3.13	—	159.25
Perry, George-Martha L.	100.00	102.24	1.54	2.00	101.78
Perry, Nathan-Phoebe	50.00	51.87	1.03	1.00	51.90
Pitts	100.00	102.64	1.54	2.00	102.18
Reynolds, Clifford E.	300.00	307.05	4.62	—	311.67
Richmond, Benjamin H.	175.00	168.89	8.75	5.00	362.20
Richmond, Benjamin H. (2)	175.00	189.56	—	—	—
Ridgeway, Jesse New	100.00	100.00	.88	—	100.88
Rollins, Fred P.	100.00	92.98	1.39	—	94.37
Russell, John & Ada	100.00	100.67	1.51	—	102.18
Scott, Charles H.	100.00	101.70	1.53	1.00	102.23
Shaw, George B.	100.00	101.78	2.50	1.00	103.28
Shaw, Horace	100.00	102.49	1.54	2.00	102.03
Shelly, Libeous	100.00	102.17	1.54	2.00	101.71
Smith, Almira	200.00	202.53	5.00	2.00	205.53
Smith, John Henry	100.00	102.53	2.05	2.00	102.58
Smith, Nathan	200.00	204.42	4.10	4.00	204.52
Smith, Nathan (2)	100.00	102.49	1.54	2.00	102.03

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

Name of Fund	On Deposit		Expended		Balance Jan. 1, 1945
	Amount of Fund	Jan. 1, 1944 & Inc. New 1944 Funds	Interest Re- ceived	Care of Lots	
Sweet, Frederick M.	100.00	101.06	2.50	1.00	102.56
Sweet, George B.	300.00	306.63	4.61	6.00	305.24
Sweet, Ival H.	100.00	102.44	1.54	2.00	101.98 ¹
Taylor, Fred R., New	100.00	1.0000	—	—	100.00
Tinkham, Anthony-Arnold	150.00	152.34	3.75	2.00	154.09
Walker, Oren E.	100.00	102.28	2.05	2.00	102.33
Wetherell, C. S.-C. B.	200.00	205.05	3.09	4.00	204.14
Wetherell, Frank	100.00	101.54	2.50	1.00	103.04
Wetherell, George	100.00	102.48	1.54	2.00	102.02
Wetherell and Kilburn	200.00	203.49	5.00	3.00	205.49
Wetherell, Lewis	100.00	102.40	1.54	2.00	101.94
Wetherell, Pliny	100.00	101.21	2.50	1.00	102.71
Wetherell, Stillman A.	100.00	101.50	2.50	1.00	103.00
Wheeler, Eliza W.	100.00	102.18	1.54	2.00	101.72
White, Sarah	100.00	101.61	2.50	1.00	103.11
Wilcox, Isaac	50.00	50.73	1.25	—	51.98
Wild, George W. Jr.	100.00	102.24	1.54	2.00	101.78
Woods, Herbert C. & Althea	100.00	102.03	1.54	2.00	101.57
Woodward, Barna	100.00	100.00	.38	—	100.38
Woodward, Herbert	100.00	102.46	1.54	2.00	102.00
Wrigley, James L.	100.00	102.78	1.54	2.00	102.32
Common Cemetery	750.00	766.19	15.39	16.00	765.58
(Funds added in 1944 \$300.)					
Totals	\$17,350.00	\$17,893.38	\$357.52	\$261.75	\$17,989.15

CENTER CEMETERY

Austin, Adelaide	\$200.00	\$201.18	\$5.00	\$1.00	\$205.18
Bean, Rev. Samuel	100.00	109.30	1.65	2.00	108.95
Blandin, Benjamin	50.00	51.20	.76	1.00	50.96
Blandin, Jesse and Jesse	150.00	153.65	2.31	3.00	152.96
Blandin, William B.-Aurelia	100.00	108.59	2.71	2.00	109.30
Bosworth, Lucinda	100.00	109.47	2.19	3.00	108.66
Braman,	250.00	434.10	6.52	10.90	429.72
Britton, Adelbert, New	200.00	200.00	.33	—	200.33
Bruce, Charles S.	100.00	101.78	2.50	1.00	103.28
Busher, C. J.	100.00	102.76	2.05	2.00	102.81

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit	Interest Re- ceived	Expended	Balance Jan. 1, 1945
		Jan. 1, 1944 & Inc., New Funds		Care of Lots	
Carpenter, Danise	100.00	105.98	1.59	2.00	105.57
Carpenter, Ellen F.	200.00	233.36	3.51	10.00	226.87
Carpenter, T. P.-Mary V.	100.00	101.92	2.50	1.00	103.42
Carpenter, Thomas	100.00	104.67	2.09	3.00	103.76
Carver, Theodore C.	100.00	103.13	2.07	2.00	103.20
Clapp, C. Walter-Mary G.	100.00	103.43	1.55	2.00	102.98
Clapp, Charles G.	100.00	154.34	2.32	3.00	153.66
Cobb, Silas H.	100.00	111.16	2.79	3.00	110.95
Dean, Lewis B.	100.00	104.14	2.09	2.00	104.23
Draper, Samuel A.	200.00	208.49	5.00	4.00	209.49
Fortune, Walker & Harriet	100.00	101.54	2.50	1.00	103.04
Gale and Sowden	100.00	103.39	1.55	2.00	102.94
Goff and Knox	100.00	103.25	1.55	2.00	102.80
Goff, Silas R.-Roxanna	100.00	102.63	2.50	1.00	104.13
Hagerty, Charles	100.00	101.48	2.50	1.00	102.98
Hodges and Field	200.00	223.95	5.00	4.00	224.95
Hodges, Royal P.	100.00	107.53	1.61	3.00	106.14
Holmes and King	100.00	102.18	2.50	2.00	102.68
Hunt, Calvin M.	50.00	51.41	1.02	1.00	51.43
Jenkins, Willard	100.00	105.86	2.11	3.00	104.97
Kay, John	100.00	106.11	2.50	2.00	106.61
Lane, Gardner	50.00	51.90	.77	1.00	51.67
Leonard, Virgil H.	100.00	100.00	1.38	—	101.38
Lewis, Calvin	100.00	103.23	2.07	3.00	102.30
Lincoln, Moses	100.00	111.88	1.67	—	113.55
Makepeace, D. P.	100.00	104.82	1.57	—	106.39
Makepeace, Lysander	100.00	101.26	2.50	1.00	102.76
Morse	75.00	91.77	1.83	—	93.60
Mott, Rev. Herbert H.	100.00	102.31	2.50	2.00	102.81
Oldfield, C. T.	200.00	280.49	4.22	6.00	278.71
Raymond, Ward	100.00	102.63	1.54	2.00	102.17
Russell and Chadwick	100.00	102.72	2.50	2.00	103.22
Shook, G. S.	100.00	103.39	1.55	2.00	102.94
Skinner	100.00	104.96	2.10	3.00	104.06
Sweet, Benjamin	150.00	264.49	3.98	6.00	262.47
Sweet, Cordana	100.00	104.71	2.63	2.00	105.34
Sweet, Herbert	100.00	114.13	1.72	5.00	110.85
Ware, Edward Everett	100.00	103.39	1.55	2.00	102.94
Williamson New	100.00	100.00	.38	—	100.38
Willis, Loren B.	100.00	105.01	1.58	3.00	103.59

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

Name of Fund	On Deposit		Expended		Balance Jan. 1, 1945
	Amount of Fund	Jan. 1, 1944 & Inc., New 1944 Funds	Interest Re- ceived	Care of Lots	
Wood, J. Stephen	100.00	103.88	1.55	2.00	103.43
Woodward, Harold S.	150.00	153.89	2.31	3.00	153.20
General Fund	100.00	119.16	2.39	7.00	114.55
(Funds added in 1944 \$500.00)					
Totals	\$6,025.00	\$6,742.00	\$121.16	\$131.90	\$6,731.26

BABBITT CEMETERY

Francis	\$200.00	\$204.53	\$3.08	\$2.00	\$205.61
Francis, Lorenzo H.	100.00	101.46	2.50	.50	103.46
Smith, Seth	75.00	76.14	1.87	—	78.01
Sumner and Knowles	100.00	102.10	1.54	1.00	102.64
Wilbur	100.00	102.17	1.54	1.00	102.71
Totals	\$575.00	\$586.40	\$10.53	\$4.50	\$592.43

TIMOTHY PLAIN CEMETERY

Copeland, John	\$100.00	\$102.96	\$1.54	\$2.00	\$102.50
Hayward, Betsy	2,000.00	2,153.24	51.53	50.40	2,154.37
Leonard, Charles P.	100.00	101.66	2.50	1.00	103.16
Leonard, George H. & Frank L.	150.00	152.56	3.75	2.00	154.31
Newcomb, Harriot A.	2,000.00	2,186.49	52.90	50.00	2,189.39
Robertson, Berenice	100.00	102.23	2.50	2.00	102.73
Wood, Catherine L.	100.00	103.63	2.07	2.00	103.70
Wood, Elkanah	100.00	102.03	2.50	1.00	103.53
Totals	\$4,650.00	\$5,004.80	\$119.29	\$110.40	\$5,013.69

WOODWARD CEMETERY

Willis, Lewis H.	\$150.00	\$184.41	\$2.77	—	\$187.18
Woodward, Cynthia	150.00	155.17	2.33	—	157.50
Woodward, Frederick C.	150.00	153.52	2.31	—	155.83
Totals	\$450.00	\$493.10	\$7.41	—	\$500.51

BURIAL FUNDS—Continued

CRANE CEMETERY

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On deposit		Expended Care of Lots	Balance Jan. 1, 1945
		Jan. 1, 1944	& Inc., New Funds Re- ceived		
Crane, Calvin	\$100.00	\$103.46	\$1.55	—	\$105.01
Eddy, Daniel J.	300.00	300.50	6.03	—	306.53
Leonard	100.00	101.27	2.50	—	103.77
Totals	\$500.00	\$505.23	\$10.08	—	\$515.31

WHITE CEMETERY

White, Benjamin-Obera	\$150.00	\$233.12	\$3.51	\$4.00	\$232.63
Totals	\$150.00	\$233.12	\$3.51	\$4.00	\$232.63

WINNECUNET CEMETERY

Field, Lloyd A.	\$100.00	\$107.50	\$2.50	\$3.00	\$107.00
Lincoln, Willie S.	300.00	301.00	4.53	1.00	304.53
Whole Lot	1,010.00	1,056.70	26.56	22.50	1,060.76
Totals	\$1,410.00	\$1,465.20	\$33.59	\$26.50	\$1,472.29

GEORGE E. SMITH, Treasurer

WARRANT FOR PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY—1944

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

BRISTOL ss.

To either of the constables of the Town of Norton

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in the town hall in Norton Tuesday, the twenty-fifth day of April, 1944 at four o'clock P. M., for the following purposes:—

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Election of candidates of Political parties for the following offices:

- 7 Delegates-at-Large to the National Convention of the Republican Party
- 7 Alternate Delegates-at-Large to the National Convention of the Republican Party
- 12 Delegates-at-Large to the National Convention of the Democratic Party
- 12 Alternate Delegates-at-Large to the National Convention of the Democratic Party
- 2 District Delegates to the National Convention of the Republican Party 14th Cong. Dist.
- 2 Alternate District Delegates to the National Convention of the Republican Party—14th Cong. Dist.
- 4 District Delegates to the National Convention of the Democratic Party—14th Cong. District
- 4 Alternate District Delegates to the National Convention of the Democratic Party—14th Cong. District
- District Members of State Committee for each political party for the 1st Bristol Senatorial District
- 15 Members of the Republican Town Committee
- 10 Members of the Democratic Town Committee

The polls will be open from 4 o'clock P. M. to 8 o'clock P. M.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this eleventh day of April, 1944.

JOHN B. SCOTT
WILLIAM J. TUCKER
JOHN G. ADAIR

Selectmen of Norton

A true copy: Benjamin B. Scanlon, Constable of Norton

PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY—1944

Norton, April 25, 1944

Polls opened at 4 P. M. with the following in charge.

Presiding Officer: John B. Scott

Ballot Box: Benjamin B. Scanlon

Ballot Clerks: Lena Whittaker, Arlene Plunkett

Election Officers: A. M. Freeman, Arthur C. Wood, Leo G. Yelle, Percy L. Hinds

At the close of the polls six Democratic ballots had been cast, and twenty-six Republican ballots. The count was finished at 9 P. M., with the results as follows:

Republican Delegates at Large to National Convention

Leverett Saltonstall, 240 Chestnut Hill Road, Newton	
Twenty-six	26
Joseph W. Martin, Jr., 54 Grove Street, North	
Attleborough—Twenty-four	24
Sinclair Weeks, 97 Valentine Street, Newton	
Twenty-four	24
Louise M. Williams, 3 Dean Street, Taunton	
Twenty-three	23
George P. Rowell, 25 Fresh Pond Lane, Cambridge	
Twenty-two	22
Margaret A. Green, 8 Park Slope, Holyoke	
Twenty-one	21
George F. Booth, 54 Beechmont Street, Worcester	
Twenty-three	23
Blanks—Nineteen	19
Total	182

Alternate Delegates

Katherine G. Howard, 186 Summer Ave., Reading	
Twenty	20
Laurence Curtis, 15 River Street, Boston	
Twenty-one	21
Doris M. A. Kundig, 46A Elm Street, Worcester	
Nineteen	19
Rosa M. Lewis, 30 Bellvue Street, Boston	
Nineteen	19

Horace E. Handford, 26 Roch Street, New Bedford	
Twenty	20
Carolyn L. Purcell, 465 Park Drive, Boston	
Nineteen	19
J. Edward Lajoie, 423 Middle Street, Fall River	
Twenty-one	21
Blanks—Forty-three	43
Total	182

District Delegates 14th District

Clarence A. Barnes, 79 Rumford Avenue, Mansfield	
Twenty-three	23
Edmund R. Dewing, 200 Grove Street, Wellesley	
Twenty-two	22
Blanks—Seven	7
Total	52

Alternate Delegates

Beatrice Hancock Mullaney, 1320 President Ave., Fall River—Nineteen	19
Edmund M. Murray, 39 Amherst Road, Wellesley	
Twenty-one	21
Blanks—Twelve	12
Total	52

Delegate not Grouped

Louis A. Sisca, 1053 Bedford Street, Fall River	
Five	5
Blanks—Twenty-one	21
Total	26

State Committee 1st Bristol District (One Man)

Roswell D. Emerson, Poquaxicut Ave., Easton	
Fifteen	15
Blanks—Eleven	11
Total	26

State Committee 1st Bristol District (One Woman)

Frances G. Tregoning, 27 Upland Road, Attleboro	
Fifteen	15
Blanks—Eleven	11
Total	26
Town Committee—15	
Myron T. Briggs, Pine Street—Twenty-two	22
Harold S. Woodward, Main Street—Twenty-six	26
Alton H. Foster, Main Street—Twenty-four	24
Charles O. Bruce, Main Street—Twenty-two	22
Alfred A. Clapp, Main Street—Twenty-five	25
Alfred Krall, Mansfield Ave.,—Twenty-two	22
Ethel Tucker, Union Street—Twenty-two	22
Oscar Bellavance, Barrows Street—Twenty-one	21
Arthur L. Valentine, North Worcester Street—	
Twenty-two	22
Carl J. Bottomley, North Worcester Street—	
Twenty-one	21
R. Clyde L'Amoureux, Main Street—Twenty-two	22
Stephen Benaski, Pine Street—Twenty-two	22
M. Drusilla Foster, Main Street—Twenty-three	23
M. Florence Williams, Main Street—Twenty-two	22
Lena C. Whitaker, Main Street—Twenty-four	24
Blanks—Fifty	50
Total	390

Democratic Party

Delegates at Large to the National Convention

David I. Walsh, 37 Day Street, Fitchburg—Two	2
William J. Foley, 388 West Fourth Street, Boston—One	1
Joseph E. Casey, 295 Church Street, Clinton—Two	2
James M. Curley, 350 Jamaica Way, Boston—Two	2
William H. Burke, Jr., 211 State Street, Northampton—Two	2
Frank W. Tomasello, 34 Alteresco Ave., Boston—One	1
John W. McCormack, 726 Columbia Road, Boston—Two	2
Maurice J. Tobin, 30 Hopkins Road, Boston—Three	3
Joseph B. Ely, 66 Broad Street, Westfield—One	1
Margaret M. O'Riordan, 4 Arborway, Boston—One	1
Charles F. Hurley, 57 Fresh Pond Lane, Cambridge—Two	2
Mathias LaPierre, 217 Seventh St., Leominster—Two	2
Blanks—Fifty-one	51
Total	72

Alternate Delegates

Elizabeth L. McNamara, 239 Upland Road, Cambridge	
Two	2
John Zielinski, 473 Hillside Ave., Holyoke—Two	2
Joseph K. Zemaitis, 42 Providence Street, Worcester	
Two	2
Joseph M. McDonough, 106 Melville Ave., Boston—Two	2
Samuel Michelman, 36 Butler Place, Northampton—Two	2
Charles Kaplan, 102 Columbia Road, Boston—Two	2
Mary Maliotis, 272 Foster Street, Boston—Two	2
Paul V. McDonough, 254 French Strreet, Fall River	
Four	4
Clementina Langone, 190 North Street, Boston—Two	2
Silas F. Taylor, 28 Warwick Street, Boston—Two	2
Bernard F. Killeion, 62 Boylston Street, Boston—Three	3
Catherine E. Hanafin, South Main Street, Belchertown	
Three	3
Blanks—Forty-four	44
Total	72

District Delegates—14th District

William P. Grant, 81 Farnham Street, Fall River—Four	4
John W. McIntyre, 53 Elizabeth Street, Attleboro—Four	4
Mary I. Murphy, 2 Monica Street, Taunton—Three	3
Edward P. Talbot, 622 High Street, Fall River—Four	4
Blanks—Nine	9
Total	24

Alternate District Delegates

Francis J. Carreiro, 380 Foley Avenue, Somerset	
Three	3
Clifford C. Hubbard, Main Street, Norton—Five	5
John S. McKowen, 487 Middle Street, Fall River—Four	4
Leo H. Berube, 904 Middle Street, Fall River—Three	3
Blanks—Nine	9
Total	24

(Man) State Committee First Bristol District

Bernard F. Cleary, 87 School Street, Taunton—Three	3
Blanks	3
Total	6

(Woman) State Committee First Bristol District

Mary I. Murphy, 2 Monica Street, Taunton—Two	2
Blanks—Four	4
	6

Democratic Town Committee (10)

John H. Hyland, North Worcester Street—Three	3
Herbert N. Hyland, North Worcester Street—Three	3
Clifford C. Hubbard, Main Street—Five	5
Benedict J. Yelle, Main Street—Four	4
Angeline M. Guevremont, Main Street—Three	3
Anastasia Hyland, North Worcester Street—Three	3
Darius C. Briggs, North Worcester Street—Three	3
Jennie L. Briggs, North Worcester Street—Three	3
Ruth Yelle, North Worcester Street—Three	3
Chester F. Butts, Washington Street—Four	4
Blanks	26
Total	60

Communications

Norton, Mass.
June 23, 1944

Mr. George E. Smith
Town Clerk

Dear Sir:

At a recent meeting of the Democratic Town Committee the following officers were elected: Chairman—Clifford C. Hubbard, Treasurer—Benedict J. Yelle, Secretary—Angeline M. Guevremont.

Signed:

Angeline Guevremont
Secretary

Chartley, Mass.
June 9, 1944

Mr. George E. Smith
Town Clerk

Dear Sir:

The following is a list of officers elected by the Republican Town Committee for the ensuing year: Chairman, Avery Clapp, Main Street; Vice Chairman, Drusilla Foster, Main Street, Treasurer; Arthur L. Valentine, North Worcester Street, Secretary, Ethel L. Tucker, Union Road.

Signed:

Ethel L. Tucker,
Secretary

WARRANT FOR STATE PRIMARY

Bristol ss

To either of the Constables of the Town of Norton

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in the Town Hall in said Norton, Tuesday, the eleventh day of July, 1944 at two o'clock P. M. for the following purposes: To bring in their votes to the Primary officers for the nomination of candidates of political parties for the following offices. Governor for this Commonwealth; Lieutenant Governor for the Commonwealth; Secretary and Receiver General; Auditor; Attorney General; Senator in Congress (to fill vacancy; all for this Commonwealth; Representative in Congress for 14th Congressional District; Councillor for 1st Councillor District; Representative in General Court, 2nd Bristol District; Two County Commissioners for Bristol County; Sheriff for Bristol County.

The polls will be open from two o'clock P. M. to eight o'clock P. M. Hereof fail not and make return of this Warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meetings.

JOHN B. SCOTT
JOHN G. ADAIR
WILLIAM J. TUCKER
Selectmen of Norton

Norton, Mass.
July 3rd, 1944

I have served the above Warrant by posting attested copies at each of the public meeting houses and at least three other public places within the limits of said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Signed:

BENJAMIN B. SCANLON

Constable of Norton

RECORD OF STATE PRIMARY

The keys to the ballot box, ballots and all material were delivered to John B. Scott, Election or Primary officer in charge and the ballot clerks and tellers qualified by the Town Clerk.

The balloting proceeded and at the close, one hundred forty-seven votes had been registered; Republican, One hundred twenty-eight (128)—Democratic, Nineteen (19).

The tabulation was finished at 9:30 and the following result of the ballot was announced by the election officers:

REPUBLICAN

Governor, Horace T. Cahill, 60 Arborway Drive,	
Braintree—One hundred six	106
Blanks—Twenty-two	22
Total	128

Lieutenant Governor:

Robert F. Bradford, 106 Coolidge Hill, Cambridge	
Thirteen	13
Jarvis Hunt, 51 High Street, North Attleborough	
One hundred	100
Rudolph F. King, 163 Exchange Street, Millis	
Six	6
Daniel E. McLean, 10 Congress Street, Beverly	
None	0
William H. McMasters, 4 Harvard Road, Belmont	
Three	3
Blanks—six	6
Total	128

Secretary:

Frederic W. Cook, 75 Benton Road, Somerville	
One hundred thirteen	113
Blanks—Fifteen	15
Total	128

Treasurer:

Fred J. Burrell, 41 Washington Street, Medford	
Seventy-five	75
Laurence Curtis, 15 River Street, Boston	
Thirty-six	36
Blanks—Seventeen	17
Total	128

Auditor:

Frank A. Goodwin, Nelson Avenue, Fairhaven	
Sixty-seven	67
Wallace E. Stearns, 110 Gainsborough Street, Boston	
Three	3
Russell A. Wood, 11 Whittier Street, Cambridge	
Forty-nine	49
Blanks—Nine	9
Total	128

Attorney General:

Clarence A. Barnes, 79 Rumford Ave., Mansfield	
Ninety-five	95
Charles Fairhurst, 572 Bernardston Rd., Greenfield	
Twelve	12
James E. Farley, 43 Gardner Street, Peabody	
Fifteen	15
Blanks—Six	6
Total	128

Senator in Congress:

Leverett Saltonstall, 240 Chestnut Hill Road, Newton	
One hundred eighteen	118
Blanks—Ten	10
Total	128

Congressman 14th District:

Joseph William Martin, Jr., 54 Grove St., North Attleboro	116
One hundred sixteen	12
Blanks—Twelve	
Total	128

Senator—1st Bristol District:

Willard A. Ormsbee, 110 South Main St., Reynham	107
One hundred seven	21
Blanks—Twenty-one	
Total	128

Representative in General Court 2nd Bristol District

William P. McDermott, 81 Pratt Street, Mansfield	26
Twenty-six	
Percy L. Hinds, Washington Street, Norton	16
Sixteen	
Albert F. Porter, 6 King Philip Street, Raynham	4
Four	
John D. Prescott, 370 South Main Street, Mansfield	12
Twelve	
Vinton I. Reynolds, South Worcester Street, Norton	64
Sixty-four	
Albert E. Wood, 201 Main Street, Easton	6
Six	0
Blanks—None	
Total	128

County Commissioner:

George F. Dean, Gifford Road, Westport	81
Eighty-one	
Arthur W. Bradbury, 314 Park Street, New Bedford	82
Eighty-two	93
Blanks—Ninety-three	
Total	256

Sheriff Bristol County:

Patrick H. Dupuis, 103 Court Street, New Bedford	
One hundred eight	108
Blanks—Twenty	20
Total	128

GEORGE E. SMITH

Town Clerk

DEMOCRATIC VOTE

Governor:

Francis E. Hurley, 39 Pond Street, Boston—Three	3
Maurice J. Tobin, 30 Hopkins Road, Boston—Fourteen	14
Blanks—Two	2
Total	19

Lieutenant Governor:

John B. Carr, 91 Prentise Street, Somerville—Six	6
Alfred P. Farese, 42 Heath Street, Everett—One	1
Alexander F. Sullivan, 92 Wordsworth Street, Boston	
Four	4
John S. Sullivan, 62 June Street, Worcester—Six	6
Blanks—Two	2
Total	19

Secretary:

John M. Bresnham, 185 North Common St., Lynn	
Thirteen	13
Margaret M. O'Riordan, 4 Arborway, Boston—Four	4
Blanks—Two	2
Total.	19

Treasurer:

John E. Hurley, 40 Glenrose Rd., Boston—Ten	10
Francis C. McKenna, 453 Village St., Medway—None	0
Michael A. O'Leary, 399 Broadway, Cambridge	
Three	3

John F. Welch, 63 Homer Street, Boston—Four	4
Blanks—Two	2
Total	19
Auditor:	
Thomas F. Buckley, 15 Pinckney Street, Boston	
Seventeen	17
Blanks—Two	2
Total	19
Attorney General:	
John H. Backus, 71 Bonney Street, New Bedford	
Four	4
Francis D. Harrigan, 300 Bowdoin Street, Boston	
One	1
Francis E. Kelly, 1184 Morton Street, Boston	
Eight	8
Joseph M. McDonough, 106 Melville Ave., Boston	
Four	4
Blanks—Two	2
Total	19
Senator in Congress to fill vacancy:	
John H. Corcoran, 25 Gorden Street, Cambridge	
Twelve	12
Joseph A. Langone, Jr., 190 North Street, Boston	
None	0
Joseph Lee, 43 Russell Street, Boston—Two	2
Richard M. Russell, 10 Charles River Square, Boston	
Four	4
Blanks—One	1
Total	19
Congressman, 14th District	
Edmond P. Talbot, 622 High Street, Fall River	
Seventeen	17
Blanks—Two	2
Total	19

Councillor, 1st District:

Joseph P. Clark, Jr., 1954 Highland Ave., Fall River	
Ten	10
J. Dolan Hathaway, 266 Franklin Street, Fall River	
Five	5
Blanks—Four	4
Total	19

Senator, No Candidate

Representative in General Court 2nd Bristol District

Clifford C. Hubbard, Main Street, Norton—Nine	9
Vinton I. Reynolds, So. Worcester Street, Norton, Repub.	
Eight	8
Blanks—Two	2
Total	19

County Commissioners Bristol County:

Leo H. Coughlin, 22 North Pleasant Street, Taunton	
Thirteen	13
George F. Dean, Gifford Road, Westport, Rep.—Six	6
John Almeida Jr., 187 Crapo Street, New Bedford, Dem.	
Four	4
Blanks—Fifteen	15
Total	38

Sheriff Bristol County:

Richard B. O'Connor, 371 Madison Street, Fall River	
Sixteen	16
Blanks—Three	3
Total	19

RECOUNT OF BALLOTS FOR REPRESENTATIVE 2ND BRISTOL DISTRICT

Norton, Massachusetts
July 20, 1944

Following a request for a recount of ballots cast at the State Primaries of July 11, 1944 for Representation to General Court

Republican, by William F. McDermott of Mansfield and Albert E. Wood of Easton, a canvas of ballots was made by the Registrars Albert F. Woodward, Homer L. Lane, Elwin Nason, and George E. Smith.

The recount was concluded in twenty minutes and there was no change from the figures previously submitted by the tellers.

GEORGE E. SMITH,

Town Clerk

WARRANT FOR STATE ELECTION NOVEMBER 7, 1944

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Bristol ss

To Benjamin B. Scanlon or either of the Constables of the
Town of Norton Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Norton to meet in the town hall in said Norton on Tuesday the seventh day of November, 1944 it being the Tuesday next after the first Monday of said month at 8 o'clock A. M., then and there to vote on the following officers and questions:

Presidential Electors: Governor; Lieutenant Governor; Secretary; Treasurer; Auditor; Attorney General; Senator in Congress (to fill vacancy); Representative in General Court 2nd Bristol District; Congressman 14th District; Senator First Bristol District; County Commissioners (2) Bristol County; Sheriff Bristol County. Proposed Amendments to the Constitution.

Question No. 1

Shall an amendment to the Constitution to provide for a Fair, Concise Summary, instead of Description of Each Proposed Amendment to the Constitution and Each Law submitted to the People, under the Initiative and the Referendum, and Certain Changes relative to the Filing of Initiative Petitions be enacted YES NO

Question No. 2

Shall an amendment to the constitution to provide that the General Court may prescribe the terms and conditions under which pardons of offences which are felonies may be granted be enacted
YES NO

Question No. 3

Shall an amendment to the constitution restoring the Annual Sessions of the General Court and an Annual Budget be enacted?
YES NO

Question No. 4

Shall an amendment to the constitution providing for Absent Voting by Qualified Voters who by Reason of Physical Disability are unable to vote in person be enacted YES NO

Question No. 5

Shall a law described as follows: This law amends Chapter 271 of the General Laws by striking out Section 22A as previously amended, and inserting in place thereof a new Section 22A which provides that conducting or promoting a game of whist or bridge in connection with which prizes are offered to be won by chance, or allowing such a game to be conducted or promoted, shall not authorize the prosecution arrest or conviction of any person for such acts under Chapter 271 of the General Laws, which deals with crimes against public policy, if the entire proceeds of the charge for admission to such game are donated solely to charitable, civic, educational, fraternal or religious purposes.

This new section does not contain as did the section now stricken out, provisions authorizing the licensing and conducting of the game of "Beano" YES NO

Questions on the Licensing of Liquor

No. 1

Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whiskey, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all the alcoholic beverages YES NO

No. 2

Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of all wines and malt beverages (wines, and beer, ale and all other malt beverages YES NO

No. 3

Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises YES NO

All votes for candidates and on the questions are to be upon one ballot. The polls will be open at eight o'clock A.M. and will be closed at eight o'clock P. M.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies of the body of the same at each of the public meeting houses and at least three other public places in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the selectmen and the time and place of holding said meeting. Given under our hands and seal of the Town of Norton this the 24th day of October in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-four.

JOHN B. SCOTT
JOHN G. ADAIR
WILLIAM J. TUCKER

Selectmen of Norton

Attested by Benjamin B. Scanlon
Constable of Norton

RECORD OF STATE ELECTION NOVEMBER 7, 1944

The polls were opened by the town clerk at 8 o'clock A. M. with the following officers. Officer in charge, William J. Tucker; ballot clerks, Arlene Plunkett, and Lena Whitaker; tellers, Arthur Wood, Percy Hinds, Lewis S. Rubin, A. M. Freeman, Paul Sabourin, E. J. Knapton, Benedict Yelle, Margaret Drane, Angeline Guevremont, Charlotte Pierce, James O'Leary, Benjamin Scanlon, Leo Yelle, John Adair.

Total ballots cast, One Thousand four hundred sixty-eight—1468; there were four Federal War Ballots cast; 1395 regular; and 69 War Ballots.

The counting was concluded at midnight with results as follows:

President

Dewey & Bricker—Republican	
Eight Hundred fifty-four	854
Roosevelt & Truman—Democratic	
Five Hundred Seventy-two	572
Teichert & Albaugh—Socialist Labor	
None	0
Watson & Johnson—Prohibition Party	
None	0
Blanks—Forty-two	42
Total	1468

Governor

Horace F. Cahill of Braintree—Republican	
Eight Hundred Twenty-nine	829
Maurice J. Tobin of Boston—Democratic	
Five Hundred Seventy-seven	577
Henning A. Blomen of Cambridge—Socialist Labor	
Five	5
Guy S. Williams of Worcester—Prohibition	
Three	3
Blanks—Fifty	50
Total	1464

Lieutenant Governor

Robert F. Bradford of Cambridge—Republican	
Eight Hundred Ninety-eight	898
John B. Carr of Somerville—Democrat	
Four Hundred Fifty-five	455
Alfred Erickson of Quincy—Prohibition	
Three	3
George Leo MacGlynn of Springfield—Socialist Labor	
Eight	8
Blanks—One hundred	100
Total	1464

Secretary

Frederic W. Cook of Somerville—Republican	
Nine Hundred Sixty-two	962
Margaret M. O'Riordan of Boston—Democratic	
Three Hundred Seventy-nine	379
Horace I. Hillis of Saugus—Socialist Labor	
Eleven	11
Blanks—One Hundred Twelve	112
Total	1464

Treasurer

Fred J. Burrell of Medford—Republican	
Eight Hundred Forty-one	841
John E. Hurley of Boston—Democratic	
Five Hundred Eleven	511
Herbert Crabtree of Holyoke—Socialist Labor	
Five	5
Carl L. Smith of Wellesley—Prohibition—Eight	8
Blanks—Ninety-nine	99
Total	1464

Auditor

Thomas F. Buckley of Boston—Democratic	
Four Hundred Seventy-one	471
Frank A. Goodwin of Fairhaven—Republican	
Eight Hundred Sixty-eight	868
Gale Elvel Palmquist of Boston—Socialist Labor	
Nine	9
Charles E. Vaughn of Boston—Prohibition—Three	3
Blanks—One Hundred Thirteen	113
Total	1464

Attorney General

Clarence A. Barnes of Mansfield—Republican	
Nine Hundred Thirty-nine	939
Francis E. Kelly of Boston—Democratic	
Four Hundred Twenty-five	425

Fred E. Belcher of Peabody—Socialist Labor	
Eight	8
Howard B. Rand of Haverhill—Prohibition—Six	6
Blanks—Eighty-six	86
Total	1464

Senator in Congress to fill vacancy	
John H. Corcoran of Cambridge—Democratic	
Three Hundred Fifty-one	351
Leverett Saltonstall of Newton—Republican	
One Thousand Thirty-six	1036
Bernard G. Kelly of Springfield—Socialist Labor	
Six	6
E. Talmadge Root of Somerville—Prohibition—Two	2
Blanks—Seventy-three	73
Total	1468

Congressman Fourteenth District	
Joseph William Martin Jr., of North Attleboro—Republican	
Nine Hundred Sixty-six	966
Edmund P. Talbot of Fall River—Democratic	
Four Hundred Thirty-five	435
Blanks—Sixty-seven	67
Total	1468

Councilor First District	
Joseph P. Clark Jr. of Fall River—Democratic	
Four Hundred Sixty-nine	469
Roger Keith of Brockton—Republican	
Eight Hundred Fifty-two	852
Blanks—One Hundred forty-three	143
Total	1464

Senator First Bristol District	
Willard A. Ormsbee of Raynham—Republican	
One Thousand Sixty-five	1065
Blanks—Three Hundred Ninety-nine	399
Total	1464

Representative in General Court—2nd Bristol District

Clifford C. Hubbard of Norton—Democratic	
Six Hundred Sixty-one	661
Albert E. Wood of Easton—Republican	
Six Hundred Ninety-nine	699
Blanks—One Hundred four	104
Total	1464

County Commissioners—Bristol County

John Almeida Jr. of New Bedford—Democratic	
Three Hundred Sixty-seven	367
Arthur W. Bradbury of New Bedford—Republican	
Eight Hundred Three	803
Leo H. Coughlin of Taunton—Democratic	
Four Hundred Forty-eight	448
George F. Dean of Westport—Republican	
Five Hundred Eighty-eight	588
Blanks—Seven hundred twenty-two	722
Total	2928

Sheriff—Bristol County

Patrick H. Dupuis of New Bedford—Republican	
Nine Hundred Forty-six	946
Richard B. O'Connor of Fall River—Democratic	
Four Hundred Seven	407
Blanks—One Hundred Eleven	111
Total	1464

Question No. 1

Proposed Amendment to the Constitution

Concise Summary “Yes”	
Five Hundred Forty-six	546
“No”	
Seventy-two	72
Blanks—Eight hundred forty-six	846
Total	1464

Question No. 2

General Court to prescribe terms of Pardons

“Yes”	
Five hundred two	502
“No”	
Two hundred one	201
Blanks—Seven hundred sixty-one	761
Total	1464

Question No. 3

“Yes”	
Four hundred two	402
“No”	
Three hundred forty-three	343
Blanks—Seven hundred nineteen	719
Total	1464

Question No. 4

Disability Absentee Voting

“Yes”—Six hundred forty-four	644
“No”—Ninety-four	94
Blanks—Seven hundred twenty-six	726
Total	1464

Question No. 5

Whist and Bridge not a Felony

“Yes”—Five hundred thirty-eight	538
“No”—One hundred fifty	150
Blanks—Seven hundred seventy-six	776
Total	1464

Liquor License Questions

No. 1—“Yes”—Seven hundred two	702
“No”—Three hundred eighty-eight	388

Blanks—Three hundred seventy-four	374
	1464
No. 2—"Yes"—Seven hundred thirty-one	731
"No"—Three hundred twenty-seven	327
Blanks—Four hundred six	406
	1464
No. 3—"Yes"—Seven hundred sixty-five	765
"No"—Three hundred five	305
Blanks—Three hundred ninety-four	394
	1464

GEORGE E. SMITH, Town Clerk

Recount of Ballots for Attorney General

Pursuant to an order from the state secretary a recount of ballots for Attorney General at the State Election November 7, 1944 was made December 6, 1944. The canvas of votes was made by the Registrars of voters assisted by Town Accountant Arthur M. Freeman. Clarence A. Barnes—Republican was represented by Selectman William J. Tucker. Francis E. Kelley, Democrat by Angeline Guevremont and Benedict J. Yelle. The results were as follows:

Barnes—Republican	
Nine hundred thirty-eight	938
Kelley—Democratic	
Four hundred twenty-five	425
Oelcher—Socialist Labor	
Nine	9
Rand—Prohibition	
Five	5
Blank—Eighty-seven	87
Total	1464

The recount began at 7:15 P. M. and was concluded at 9:15.

GEORGE E. SMITH

Town Clerk

Number of persons who personally applied by Federal Post card or otherwise for state ballot "War"— Ninety-four	94
Number of persons reg. voters for whom State War Ballots application was made by kindred—fifteen	15
The same who were not registered voters—three	3
Number of ballots mailed—ninety-four	94
Number of ballots cast—sixty-nine	69
Number rejected—five	5
Federal War Ballots received—four	4
Number cast—four	4

Vote for Representative 1944

Mansfield, Mass.

November 14, 1944

This is to certify that the number of ballots cast in the Towns of Mansfield, Norton, Easton and Raynham, (this being the Second Bristol Representative District) on the seventh day of November A. D., 1944 for one Representative in General Court as follows:

Clifford C. Hubbard of Norton—Democratic

In Mansfield	Ten hundred twenty-eight	1028
In Easton	Five hundred sixty-six	566
In Norton	Six hundred sixty-one	661
In Raynham	Two hundred fifty-five	255
Total		2510

Albert E. Wood of Easton—Republican

In Mansfield	Seventeen hundred sixty-one	1761
In Easton	Two thousand thirteen	2013

In Norton	Six hundred ninety-nine	699
In Raynham	Five hundred seventy-three	573
Total		5046

Blanks

In Mansfield	Three hundred seventy-two	372
In Easton	One hundred forty-five	145
In Norton	One hundred four	104
In Raynham	One hundred eighteen	118
Total		739

Scattering in Easton—three 3

Signed:

Harrison A. Morse	Clerk of Mansfield
George E. Smith	Clerk of Norton
John M. Smith	Clerk of Easton
Lillie B. Merrill	Clerk of Raynham

Norton, Massachusetts
November 18, 1944

Then appeared before me this day Mary Ferreira wife of the late Joseph Ferreira who has been heretofore registered under the name of "Cabral." The true name as Joseph Cabral Ferreira and it is desired that hereafter the name of Ferreira shall appear on all town records as the true name. (See records of Freetown).

GEORGE E. SMITH, Clerk

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING 1945

Bristol, ss.

To Benjamin B. Scanlon or either of the Constables of the town of Norton, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Norton to meet in the Town Hall in said Norton on Monday evening the 5th day of March, 1945 at eight o'clock, then and there to act on the following articles; and you are also hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of the said Town to meet in the Town Hall in said Norton, on Monday, March 12th, 1945 at 12 o'clock noon, to elect one Selectman, one Assessor, one member of the Board of Water Commissioners, one member of the School Committee, one member of the Board of Public Welfare, each for a term of three years, also a Town Clerk, a Treasurer, a Collector of Taxes, and one or more Constables, a Tree Warden, and a Moderator, all to serve one year. The Polls may be closed at 8 o'clock P. M.

Article 1. To choose all other town officers required by law, and not provided for on the ballot.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will vote to accept the report of the Town Officers.

Art. 3. To determine the salaries of the Town Officials for the ensuing year in accordance with Chapter 41, Sec. 108, General Law, viz: Town Clerk, Treasurer, Selectman, Board of Public Welfare, Assessors, Collector of Taxes, Moderator, Tree Warden, Constables, Water Commissioners and School Committee.

Art. 4. To raise and appropriate money to defray the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year.

(a) For repairs and improvements of roads.

(b) For repairs and improvement of bridges and railings and other necessary tools and equipment.

(c) For the support of schools, school supplies, transportation, Vocational Education, Salary of the Superintendent, School Physician, Attendance Officers and Repairs.

(d) For the maintenance and operating expenses of the Water Department.

(e) For the support of the Public Library.

(f) For Memorial Day Exercises.

- (g) For the care and repairs of the Common at the Center.
- (h) For the maintenance and running expenses of the Fire Department.
- (i) For payment of State and Military Aid.
- (j) For payment of Soldiers' Relief.
- (k) For Public Welfare and Aid to Dependent Children.
- (l) For the expense of the Board of Health.
- (m) For payment of Town Debt.
- (n) For interest on Town Debt and Temporary Loans.
- (o) For the expense and Prevention of Forest Fires.
- (p) For the expense of the Police Department.
- (q) For the expense of the Tree Warden.
- (r) For the expense of the Town Hall.
- (s) For the registration and election expenses, including salaries.
- (t) For General Government including salaries and expenses of the following Town Officers: Town Clerk, Treasurer, Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Assessors, Collector of Taxes, Accountant and Moderator.
- (u) For an appropriation in pursuance of Chapter 436, Acts of 1936, (Old Age Assistance Law.)
- (v) For the expense of the Sealer of Weights and Measures.
- (w) For the printing and delivering of the Annual Town Reports.
- (x) For insurance of Public Buildings, Compensation Insurance and insurance of all Town Trucks including the Fire Trucks in accordance with Chapter 403 of Acts of 1936.
- (y) For the removal of snow.
- (z) For the salary of a nurse for work in the Public Schools for the current year.

Art. 5. To raise and appropriate money for the suppression of the gypsy and brown tail moths.

Art. 6. To raise and appropriate money for the Town's proportion of the annual maintenance of the Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital.

Art. 7. To see what action the Town will take to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquor in the Town and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Art. 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial

year beginning January 1, 1945, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Art. 9. To raise and appropriate money for legal services.

Art. 10. To raise and appropriate money for street lighting.

Art. 11. To hear the report of the Committee on Reforestation, including repairs on the Town Farm, and take any action thereon.

Art. 12. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out the recommendations of the Reforestation Committee regarding Reforestation.

Art. 13. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out the recommendation of the Reforestation Committee regarding repairs at the Town Farm, to be expended under the supervision of said Committee.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize any Board of Town Officials to appoint any of their number to any other office and fix the compensation according to Chapter 41, Sec. 4A. General Laws.

Art. 15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for a reserve fund as authorized by Chapter 40 of the General Laws, or take any action in relation thereto.

Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both under Chapter 90 for the maintenance of Chapter 90 roads in Town, or take any action in relation thereto.

Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Machinery Equipment Fund to the Machinery Equipment Account for the purpose of repairing and operating road machinery.

Art. 18. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Machinery Equipment Fund for the purpose of purchasing the following equipment for the Highway Department; a New Truck; a Road Sander; and a used Utility Truck or Passenger Car or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of repairing the town highway garages or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 20. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds in the treasury a sum of money to purchase defense bonds, war bonds, or other bonds which are legal investments for saving banks, in order to establish a post-war rehabilitation fund for the erection of a new school, in accordance with Chapter 5 of the acts of 1943. (By Petition.)

Art. 21. To see if the Town will vote to set up a planning committee to make recommendations to the town on the subject of post-war school building in Norton, or take any action relative thereto. (By request of the School Committee.)

Art. 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to cover the expenses of the planning committee authorized in article 21, or take any action relative thereto. (By request of the School Committee.)

Art. 23. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Board of Health to investigate the possibilities of collection of garbage throughout the town and submit their report at a subsequent town meeting special or regular.

Art. 24. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to execute and deliver on behalf of the Town of Norton, to William A. Alston and Pearl A. Alston, husband and wife, a quit claim deed to the premises situated on the westerly side of Washington Street, Norton, Mass., being the same premises described in a deed given by the Selectmen of Norton to Alice Hicks, dated September 2, 1930, recorded in Bristol County North District Registry of Deeds, Book 811, page 89. Said deed being given for the purpose of correcting title and for validating the said former deed.

Art. 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay certain damage claims of various abutting owners of land taken by the County Commissioners of Bristol County by Order of said Commissioners dated July 6, 1943, and recorded in Bristol County North District Registry of Deeds on July 13, 1943, for the lay out, alteration, a specific repair of "Bay Road" so-called, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the salary and expenses of the Dog Officer.

Art. 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the general care of town-owned cemeteries or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water main along South Worcester Street from the Property of Boivin twelve hundred feet more or less to a point opposite the residence of Harry Eddy. (By Petition.)

Art. 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water main along Barrows Street one thousand feet more or less to a point opposite the residence of the William Dunn Homestead, so-called. (By Petition.)

Art. 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water main from East Main Street along South Washington Street to the residence of Howard Foster—a distance of one mile more or less. (By Petition.)

Art. 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a fire truck to be placed at Norton Grove. The station where the truck is kept, to be heated, and a siren for alarm installed. The station, heating, and alarm to be provided and maintained by the Norton Grove Association. (By Petition of Norton Grove Association).

Art. 32. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the surplus revenue to reduce the tax rate for 1945 subject to the General Laws.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies of the body of the same at each of the public meeting houses and at least three other public places in said Town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands, and the Seal of the Town, this first day of February, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-five.

JOHN B. SCOTT
JOHN G. ADAIR
WILLIAM J. TUCKER

Selectmen of Norton

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ANNUAL REPORT

Of the Officers of the

TOWN OF NORTON



For the Year Ending December 31

1945



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1945—TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

To the Citizen's of Norton:

This is the 23rd consecutive report I have been privileged to make to you. I have, during these years, tried to keep in mind that we do not record for the present alone but for the future. Sometime the continuation of Norton's history will be written. Eighty-seven years have elapsed since George Faber Clark published that valuable collection of town memoirs known as *The History of Norton* and with the passing of each older resident intimate knowledge of the town's history is lost forever.

So I have tried to make the town records quite complete that the future historian, reading between the lines, might get a fairly good picture.

The work of the office increases year by year. Care of the cemetery funds for one thing has become quite an item and is steadily growing. In 1923 there were 82 funds—there are now 182.

Small funds representing \$5,200. were, in 1944, invested in U. S. Government bonds. In 1945 \$7,000. was removed from savings banks and similarly invested. The work of caring for these funds is not lessened as each individual account is kept as before but the income is increased.

The war brought added work for all clerks—not felt so much by salaried city, but the small towns where the fees are practically the compensation. Certified copies of birth records; of marriage records; hunting and fishing licenses; dog licenses; assistance in filling out forms; notarizing papers; registering for Selective Service all this work and more has been done cheerfully and without compensation. The Mass. Town Clerk's Association made a small attempt at legislation to provide re-imbursement to small town clerks. With this effort this office did not join feeling that it was the least we could do for men who were doing their all.

My thanks are due to a fine co-operative public. I am deeply conscious of the honor of serving you and of the confidence of the citizens that has expressed itself in the elections since 1923.

GEORGE E. SMITH,

Town Clerk and Treasurer

OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF NORTON

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER

George E. Smith

SELECTMEN

John G. Adair	Term expires 1948
William J. Tucker	Term expires 1947
John B. Scott	Term expires 1946

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Lester M. Johnson	Term expires 1948
Mabel A. Richmond	Term expires 1947
Bernard A. Cabisius	Term expires 1946

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Arthur M. Freeman	Term expires 1946
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ASSESSORS

William E. Fales	Term expires 1948
Leonard A. Witherell	Term expires 1947
Percy L. Hinds	Term expires 1946

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Bernice Freeman	Term expires 1948
Ernest J. Knapton	Term expires 1947
Arthur L. Valentine	Term expires 1946

WATER COMMISSIONERS

Carlton H. Draper	Term expires 1948
Bertram F. Fales	Term expires 1947
Leonard A. Witherell	Term expires 1946

COLLECTOR OF TAXES AND TOWN COLLECTOR

George E. Smith

REFORESTATION COMMITTEE

Gertrude C. Milliken	Term expires 1948
Joseph W. Crowshaw	Term expires 1947
Clifford C. Reynolds	Term expires 1946

CONSTABLES

Stephen Benaski
Ralph Clapp
Carlton Draper
Antonio Marshall

George Nesbit
Milton Perry
Benjamin B. Scanlon
William R. Scott

MODERATOR

Samuel W. Thomas, 2nd

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Francis A. Hatch

Edward Gwilliam

William R. Scott

CHIEF OF POLICE

Benjamin B. Scanlon

DOG OFFICER

Stephen Benaski

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Leighton A. Foster

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Oliver E. White

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Albert S. Lincoln

MILK INSPECTOR-SEALER OF
WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Lewis S. Rubin

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS AND SLAUGHTER

Alphee Pelletier

FIRE ENGINEERS

Howard A. Foster
Arthur Ross
Harold Wetherell
Harold S. Woodward

Albert S. Lincoln
George Richmond
Bert Wetherell
Oliver White

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Elwin Nason	Term expires 1948
Homer L. Lane	Term expires 1947
Albert V. Flaherty	Term expires 1947
Albert F. Woodward	Term expires 1946

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Terms expire 1948

Charles F. Baker	A. Avery Clapp
William V. Flaherty	Paul H. Sabourin
Edward H. Schissler	
Terms expire 1947	
Samuel A. Carruthers	Lloyd T. Packer
Lester M. Johnson	Arthur G. Ross
John Adair	
Terms expire 1946	
Oscar Bellavance	Benedict J. Yelle
Arthur M. Freeman	Arthur C. Wood
Fred C. Roach	

REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE OF OFFICIALS

ASSESSORS	Town Hall
Second Monday of each month 8 P. M.	
BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE	Town Hall
Friday preceding first Monday and Wednesday preceding third Thursday each month.	
SCHOOL COMMITTEE	High School
Last Monday of each month 7:30 P. M.	
SELECTMEN	Town Hall
First Monday and third Thursday each month 8 P. M.	
WATER COMMISSIONERS	Town Hall
First Tuesday of each month 7:30 P. M.	

1945—SELECTMEN'S APPOINTMENTS

Moth Superintendent	Albert S. Lincoln
Street Superintendent	Leighton A. Foster
Chief of Police	Benjamin B. Scanlon
Dog Officer	Stephen Benaski
Cemetery Commissioners	Francis W. Hatch
	William R. Scott
	Edward Gwilliam
Inspector of Animals	Alphee Pelletier
Inspector of Slaughtering	Alphee Pelletier
Public Weighers	W. C. S. Wood
	Charles Tomase
	Arthur C. Wood
	Cecil T. Bailey
	Frederick E. Roach
Burial Agent	Benedict J. Yelle
Registrar of Voters for three years	Elwin Nason
Milk Inspector	Lewis S. Rubin
Sealer of Weights and Measures	Lewis S. Rubin
Inspector of Petroleum Products	Lewis S. Rubin
Member of Reforestation Com. 3 Yrs.	Myron T. Briggs
Fence Viewers	Benjamin B. Scanlon
	Arthur E. Sweet
Board of Health Agent	Elmer W. Clarke, M. D.
Industrial Accident Agent	Arthur M. Freeman
Forest Fire Warden	Oliver E. White
Special Police	Edward D. Bartley
	George Charette
	John R. Ferguson
	William V. Flaherty
	Bernard A. Cabisius
	Kenneth J. MacLeod
	Albert Pelletier
	Alfred S. Thornton
	Howard A. Richards
	Herbert Paddock

**BY-LAWS ADOPTED BY THE TOWN OF NORTON
AND APPROVED BY THE
ATTORNEY-GENERAL**

Revised to January 1, 1946

1. The Annual Town Meeting shall be held on the first Monday of March in each year.

2. Twenty-five voters of the town shall constitute a quorum at town meetings except such parts of meetings as are devoted exclusively to the election of officers.

3. The Selectmen shall notify the voters of the Town of the date of the Annual Town Meeting by causing attested copies of the Warrant for such meetings to be posted at the several Meeting Houses and at least three other public places within the limits of the town. Voters shall be warned of any special meetings by the posting of Warrants in the same manner.

(Approved May 19, 1942)

4. The voters at the Annual Town Meeting shall elect not more than eight men as Constables, who on having qualified shall perform the duties of such office provided for by the laws of the Commonwealth.

5. No person, except an officer of the town in the performance of duty and those acting under such officer's order, shall obstruct any public sidewalk or way or any part thereof, or break or dig the ground of the same without first obtaining written permission from the Board of Selectmen therefor.

6. No person shall suffer any cow, horse, mule, goat, sheep, swine, or other such animal to go at large upon any of the ways or highways of the Town.

7. No person shall behave in an indecent or disorderly manner or use profane, indecent or insulting language in any public place or on any sidewalk or street in the Town

8. Any person intending to erect, repair or take down any building on land abutting on any public way in the town and who desires to use any portion of said way for rubbish or building material must first obtain written permission from the Board of Selectmen. Such permit shall be upon the condition that the licensee shall, first; keep a sufficient number of lighted lanterns, between sunset and sunrise, at or near the part of such way obstructed or unsafe; second; shall keep a railing or guard around the same while such obstruction shall continue; third: restore the way to its former condition, and fourth: execute an agreement to indemnify the Town against all damages arising from the existence of such obstruction.

9. The Selectmen may grant licenses to such persons as to them may appear proper and suitable persons to be junk collectors, to collect by purchase or otherwise, junk, old metals and second hand articles from place to place within the Town of Norton, and they may prescribe that such persons may conspicuously display badges on their persons or signs upon their vehicles, or both, when engaged in collecting, transporting or dealing in junk, old metal or second hand articles, and may prescribe the design thereon. The Selectmen may prescribe the terms upon which such licenses may be granted. Such license shall continue in force for one year from the date of their issue and may be revoked at any time by the Selectmen. The holders of such licenses shall be subject to all provisions of law relating thereto. Any place, vehicle or receptacle used for the collecting or keeping of the articles aforesaid, and all articles of merchandise therein, may be examined at all times by the Selectmen, Police Officers, or by any persons authorized by them to do so. All scales, weights or measures used in their business by such collectors of junk shall be tested and sealed by the Sealer of Weights and Measures of said town.

10. No person shall suffer any wood or coal, or any cart or wagon or other impediment to remain within the limits of a street or upon any sidewalk so as in any manner to obstruct the travel thereon, or for more than twenty-four hours after he has been notified by the Selectmen or by any officer having charge of the highways, or by any Constable or Police Officer, to remove the same.

11. No person shall throw or deposit in any manner, or allow to be dropped from a vehicle upon any public way, place, or square, in the town, any article, substance or material which may prove dangerous or injurious in any respect to the hooves of animals, the tires of bicycles, or the rubber tires of automobiles or other vehicles.

12. No person shall distribute papers, circulars or advertising matter through the public streets or public places of the town in such manner as to make a litter.

13. The Selectmen shall have the power to prosecute, defend or otherwise settle all claims, suits or controversies of which the town is a party, and to employ legal counsel if they deem such action necessary.

14. All Boards of Officers of the town shall cause records of their doings and accounts to be kept in suitable books, which shall be kept in their respective offices when in use, and in the town vault when not in use.

15. On or before January 15th of each year, the various Boards, Officers or Committees in charge of the expenditure of the town's money shall transmit to the Finance Committee a detailed list of their expenditures for the year previous, together with their estimates for the conduct of their departments for the present municipal year. The Finance Committee shall meet not later than January 20th, to examine these estimates, and will present them at the Annual Town Meeting together with their comments and suggestions thereon.

16. Any proposed additions or amendments to these By-Laws must first be presented to the Selectmen in writing and be incorporated in the Warrant for any annual or special town meeting for action by the legal voters of the town. Such amendments or additions may be adopted by a majority vote.

17. Any person violating any of the provisions of the foregoing By-Laws shall be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty dollars for each offense.

18. All other By-Laws of the town, not including a By-Law passed on June 30, 1924, and reading as follows: "A Finance Committee shall be appointed by the Moderator, said Committee to consist of fifteen members; five to be appointed for one year, five for two years, five for three years, then five members to be appointed annually thereafter to serve for a term of three years," are hereby repealed.

19. The procedure and conduct of the business meetings of the town not herein provided for, shall be governed by "Roberts Rules of Parliamentary Practice" so far as they are applicable and are not inconsistent with Law or By-Laws of the town.

(Approved July 26, 1932)

20. Rubbish of any description shall not be dumped within one hundred feet of a public highway, except upon such a lot or lots as may be designated by the Board of Health as a public dumping place. Any person violating the provisions of this by-law shall be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty dollars for each offense.

(Approved March 20, 1946)

21. The Selectmen shall have the power and may from time to time sell, after first giving notice of the time and place for sale, of property taken by the town under tax title proceedings provided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such public auction may reject any bid that they deem necessary.

(Approved June 6, 1940)

22. There shall be a Defense Board of five members appointed by the Finance Committee. Vacancies shall be filled in like manner. One member shall be designated to act as chairman. The Defense Board shall have charge of the expenditures of all sums of money raised and appropriated by the town for the purposes of the Committee of Public Safety under the provisions of Chapter 487 of the Acts of 1941.

(Approved May 19, 1942)

Attest:

GEORGE E. SMITH, *Town Clerk*

LIST OF JURORS

List of Jurors prepared by the Selectmen in accordance with the provision of General Laws:

Name	Occupation
Eleazar E. Atwood	Retired
Peter H. Blette	Farmer
Walter H. Barrows	Salesman
Arthur E. Cutler	Retired
Donald Collette	Painter
Louis J. Champagne	Jeweler
James Fitzgibbons	---- Jeweler
Arnold S. Freeman	Mill worker
Walter A. Gay	Jeweler
Clark E. Jordan	Mill Worker
Lester M. Johnson	Box maker
Ernest J. Knapton	College Professor
Alton T. Leonard	Fireman
Harold D. Mowry	Mill operative
Kenneth MacLeod	Farmer
Roy T. Mackinlay	Retired
Charles O. Nason	Woodworker
Raymond E. Norteman	Florist
Armand Paille	Millworker
Albert Roy	Jeweler
Henry W. Robbins	Clerk
Elwood E. Spencer	Farmer
Arnold R. Sanford	Retired
Henry I. Shaw	Retired
Alton T. Tully	Painter
Alfred S. Thornton	R. R. Operative
Samuel W. Thomas II.	Teacher
Oliver E. White	Box maker
Leslie E. Waterman	Jeweler
Benedict J. Yelle	Carpenter

1945—JURORS DRAWN

January 4, 1945

Carlos Freeman, South Worcester Street—farmer—Grand Jury, Taunton, Monday, February 5, 1945, 10 A. M.

Winthrop A. Ashley—West Main Street—druggist—Traverse Jury at Taunton, Monday, February 5, 1945, 10 A. M.

Julius Cabisius, South Worcester Street—retired—Traverse Jury at Taunton, Monday, February 12, 1945, 10 A. M.

February 7, 1945

Arthur M. Freeman—accountant—Superior Court at Taunton, Monday, March 5, 1945 at 10 A. M.

February 23, 1945

Horace C. Woodward—machinist—Superior Court, Fall River, March 26, 1945 at 10 A. M.

May 11, 1945

Clarence N. Janes—textile worker—Superior Court at New Bedford, Monday, June 4, 1945, 10 o'clock A. M.

May 22, 1945

Stephen Benaski—farm superintendent—Superior Court at New Bedford, Monday, June 25, 1945, 10 o'clock A. M.

August 7, 1945

Walter H. Barrows—salesman—Superior Court, Taunton, September 10, 1945, Monday at 10 o'clock A. M.

Alton T. Leonard—fireman—Superior Court, Fall River, Monday, September 24, 1945 at 10 A. M.

October 8, 1945

Armand Paille—mill worker—Superior Court, Fall River, Monday, December 3, 1945 at 10 o'clock A. M.

December 13, 1945

Samuel W. Thomas II—teacher—Superior Court at Fall River, Monday, January 24, 1946 at 10 o'clock A. M.

REGISTRARS' MEETINGS—1945

The Registrars have held meetings as required by law, the longest session being on February 14, from 12 M. to 10 P. M. Five names were added to the voting lists; the total registration at the close of registration being 1932. Men 935—Women 997.

The census from which the street list is compiled was taken by Mr. Ole G. Seel at the rate of 8½ cents per name; this included sorting and arranging the cards alphabetically. The total census was 2237, individuals 20 years and older. Women 1156—Men 1081.

The typing from the cards to the street list was done by high school pupils. Copies were furnished the assessors for use in checking their poll list. On account of the added expense and small demand, copies for general distribution are not available, but the registrars will, if the tax payers desire, prepare such lists.

ALBERT F. WOODWARD	} Registrars
ELWIN NASON	
HOMER L. LANE	
GEORGE E. SMITH, <i>Clerk</i>	

TOWN CAUCUS FEBRUARY 14, 1945

A caucus of qualified voters was held in accordance with the provisions of law relating thereto on the 14th day of February 1945 at 8 o'clock P. M.

This meeting was called by the town committee and the following nominations of candidates for town offices were made viz:

Town Clerk for one year	George E. Smith
Town Treasurer for one year	George E. Smith
Collector of Taxes for one year	George E. Smith
Selectman for three years	John G. Adair
Board of Public Welfare for three years	Lester M. Johnson
Assessor for three years	William E. Fales
School Committee for three years	Bernice W. Freeman

Water Commissioner for three years	Carleton H. Draper
Moderator for one year	Samuel W. Thomas II.
Tree Warden for one year	Albert S. Lincoln
Constables for one year	Stephen Benaski
	William R. Scott
	Benjamin B. Scanlon
	Carleton Draper
	Milton Perry
	Ralph Clapp
	George Nesbit
	Antonio Marshall
Town Committee for one year	Paul Sabourin
	Arthur Valentine
	Bernard A. Cabisius

Voted that the town committee be authorized to fill any vacancies occurring from death or ineligibility of candidate or candidates. Bernard A. Cabisius was elected chairman of the caucus and George E. Smith, Clerk. Attendance 28, adjourned 8:40 P. M.

GEORGE E. SMITH, *clerk*

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING 1945

Bristol, ss

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(f) For emorial Day exercises.

(g) For the care and repairs of the Common at the Center (Library Square).

(h) For the maintenance and running expenses of the fire department.

(i) For payment of state and military aid.

(j) For payment of soldiers relief.

(k) For public welfare and aid to dependent children.

(l) For expense of the Board of Health.

- (m) For payment of town debt.
- (n) For interest on town debts and temporary loans.
- (o) For the expense and prevention of forest fires.
- (p) For the expense of the police department.
- (q) For the expense of the tree warden.
- (r) For the expense of the town hall.
- (s) For the registration and election expenses, including salaries.
- (t) For General Government including salaries and expenses of the following town officers: town clerk, treasurer, selectmen, board of public welfare, assessors, collector of taxes, accountant and moderator.
- (u) For an appropriation in pursuance of Chapter 436 Acts of 1936 (Old Age Assistance Law).
- (v) For the expense of the sealer of weights and measures.
- (w) For the expense of printing and delivering the annual town reports.
- (x) For insurance on public buildings, compensation insurance and insurance on all town trucks including the fire trucks in accordance with Chapter 403 Acts of 1936.
- (y) For the removal of snow.
- (z) For the salary of a nurse for work in the public schools for the current year.

Article 5. To raise and appropriate money for the suppression of the gypsy and brown tail moths.

Article 6. To raise and appropriate money for the town's proportion of the annual maintenance of the Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital.

Article 7. To see what action the town will take to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquor in the town and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to authorize the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from

time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1945 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Sec. 17, Chap. 44 General Laws.

Article 9. To raise and appropriate money for legal services.

Article 10. To raise and appropriate money for street lighting.

Article 11. To hear the report of the Committee on Reforestation including repairs on the town farm, and take any action thereon.

Article 12. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out the recommendations of the "Reforestation Committee" regarding reforestation.

Article 13. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out the recommendations of the Reforestation Committee regarding repairs at the town farm, to be expended under the supervision of said committee.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to authorize any board of town officials to appoint any of their number to any other office and fix the compensation according to Chapter 41 Sec. 4A G. L.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for a Reserve Fund as authorized by Chapter 40 General Laws, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the state or county or both under Chapter 90 for the Maintenance of Chapter 90 roads in town or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Machinery Equipment Fund to the Machinery Equipment Account for the purpose of repairing and operating road machinery.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Machinery Equipment Fund for the purpose of purchasing the following equipment for the highway department; a new truck, a road sander and a used utility truck or passenger car or take any action relative thereto.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of repairing the town highway garages or take any action relative thereto.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to transfer from the available funds in the treasury a sum of money to purchase defense bonds, war bonds or other bonds which are legal investments for savings banks in order to establish a postwar rehabilitation fund for the erection of a new school, in accordance with Chapter 5 of the Acts of 1943 (by petition).

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to set up a planning committee to make recommendations to the town on the subject of postwar school building in Norton, or take any action relative thereto (By request of the School Committee).

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to cover the expenses of the planning committee authorized by Article 21, or take any action relative thereto. (By request of the School Committee).

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Board of Health to investigate the possibilities of collection of garbage throughout the town and submit their report at a subsequent town meeting special or regular.

Article 24. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to execute and deliver on behalf of the Town of Norton, to William A. Alston and Pearl A. Alston husband and wife, a quitclaim deed to the premises situated on the westerly side of Washington street, Norton, Mass., being the same premises described in a deed given by the selectmen of Norton to Alice Hicks dated September 2, 1930,

recorded in Bristol County North District Registry of Deeds Book No. 811 page No. 89. Said deed being given for the purpose of correcting title and for validating the said former deed.

Article 25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay certain damage claims of various abutting sources of land taken by the County Commissioners of Bristol County by Order of Said Commissioners dated July 6, 1943 and recorded in Bristol County North District Registry of Deeds on July 13, 1943, for the lay out, alteration and specific repair of "Bay Road—'so called'" or take any action relative thereto.

Article 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the salary and expense of the dog officer.

Article 27. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the general care of town owned cemeteries or take any action relative thereto.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water main along South Worcester Street from the property of Boiven twelve hundred feet more or less to a point opposite the residence of Harry Eddy. (By petition.)

Article 29. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water main along Barrows Street one thousand feet more or less to a point opposite the William Dunn homestead, so called. (By petition.)

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water main from East Main Street along South Washington Street to the residence of Howard Foster—a distance of one mile more or less. (By petition.)

Article 31. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a fire truck to be placed at Norton Grove. The station where the truck is kept to be heated and a siren for alarm installed. The station, heating and alarm to be provided and maintained by the Norton Grove Association. (By petition of Norton Grove Association.)

Article 32. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the surplus revenue to reduce the tax rate for 1945—subject to the General Laws.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies of the body of the same at each of the public meeting houses and at least three other public places in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting. Given under our hands and the seal of the Town this first day of February in the year, one thousand nine hundred forty-five.

Signed:

JOHN B. SCOTT

WILLIAM J. TUCKER

JOHN G. ADAIR

Selectmen of Norton

Norton, Massachusetts

February 23, 1945

I have posted the copies of this Warrant as directed, seven days at least before the time of holding the meet.

BENJAMIN B. SCANLON

Constable of Norton

RECORD OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING 1945

Meeting was called to order at 8 P. M. by Moderator Samuel Thomas II. Mr. Thomas briefly reviewed the parliamentary rules for conducting an orderly meeting and also ruled there must be no personalities by speakers. The following tellers were appointed and sworn: to be on call in case of balloting and use of check list.

Recommendations of the finance committee were made by their chairman, Thomas F. Manning in the form of motions.

The following officers were nominated and elected by acclamation under

Article 1. Measurers of Lumber: Arthur E. Sweet, Daniel A. Woodward, Albert S. Lincoln, Francis J. Murphy, Oliver E. White. Measurers of Wood: Arthur E. Sweet, Lewis B. Woodward, Walter C. S. Wood, Arthur C. Wood, Thomas A. Beaman, E. Clifton Becker, Oliver E. White, Albert S. Lincoln. Pound Keeper: Julius Leonard.

Article 2. Voted to accept the report of the town officers.

Article 3. Moved by Thomas F. Manning, seconded and voted that the salaries to town officials be as follows: Town Clerk \$200, Treasurer \$600; Collector of Taxes \$800; Selectmen \$600 (\$200 each); Assessors \$500 each; Accountant \$600; Public Welfare Board \$150 each; Moderator, \$25.

Article 4. Voted the following to defray the town expenses for 1945:

(a) For repairs and improvement of roads, fifty-seven hundred dollars (\$5,700.)

(b) For repairs and improvement of bridges and railings and other necessary tools and equipment—nineteen hundred dollars (\$1,900.)

(c) For the support of schools, school supplies, transportation, vocational education, salary of the superintendent, school physician, attendance officer and repairs \$59,980.

(d) For the maintenance and operating expenses of the water department, nine thousand dollars (\$9,000.)

(e) For the support of the public library, eleven hundred dollars (\$1,100.)

(f) For Memorial Day exercises, one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00.)

(g) For the care and repairs of the Common at the Center, seventy-five dollars (\$75.00.)

(h) For the maintenance and running expenses of the fire department, thirty-eight hundred dollars (\$3,800.)

(i) For the payment of state and military aid, three hundred dollars (\$300.00.)

(j) For the payment of soldiers relief, six hundred fifty dollars (\$650.00.)

(k) For public welfare and aid to dependent children, six thousand five hundred thirty dollars (\$6,530.)

(l) For the expense of the board of health, nine hundred dollars (\$900.00.)

(m) For payment of town debt, four thousand dollars (\$4,000.)

(n) For interest on town debt and temporary loans, one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.)

(o) For the expense and prevention of forest fires, one thousand dollars (\$1,000.)

(p) For the expense of the police department, three thousand dollars (\$3,000.)

(q) For the expense of the tree warden, two hundred fifty dollars, (\$250.)

(r) For the expense of the town hall, six hundred dollars (\$600.)

(s) For registration and election expenses, including salaries, six hundred fifty dollars (\$650.)

(t) For general government including salaries of the following town officers: town clerk, treasurer, selectmen, board of public welfare, assessors, collector of taxes, accountant and moderator, seven thousand eight hundred ten dollars (\$7,810.)

ANALYSIS OF GENERAL GOVERNMENT

	<i>Salaries</i>	<i>Expenses</i>
Town Clerk	\$ 200.00	\$ 235.00
Treasurer	600.00	812.50
Tax Collector	800.00	1,162.50
Selectmen (3)	600.00	275.00
Assessors (3)	1,500.00	400.00
Board Public Welfare (3)	450.00	----

Moderator	25.00	----
	\$4,775.00	\$3,035.00
Total		\$7,810.00

(u) For an appropriation in pursuance of Chapter 436 Acts of 1936 (Old Age Assistance Law.) Voted to raise and appropriate seventeen thousand dollars (\$17,000.)

(v) For the expense of the sealer of weights and measures, one hundred forty dollars (\$140.)

(w) For the printing and delivering of the annual town reports, nine hundred forty-eight and 50/100 dollars (\$948.50.)

(x) For insurance of public buildings, compensation insurance and insurance on all town trucks including the fire trucks in accordance with Chapter 403 Acts of 1936, two thousand three hundred dollars (\$2,300.)

(y) For the removal of snow, four thousand six hundred dollars (\$4,600.)

(z) For the salary of a nurse for work in the public schools for the current year, nine hundred dollars (\$900.)

Article 5. For the suppression of gypsy and brown tail moths, six hundred dollars (\$600.)

Article 6. For the town's proportion of the annual maintenance of the Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital, two thousand three hundred sixty-eight and 03/100 dollars (\$2,368.03.)

Article 7. Suppression of liquor (illegal) sale. No action taken on this article.

Article 8. Voted to so authorize the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1945, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Sec. 17 Chap. 44 General Laws.

Article 9. Voted for legal services, one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.)

Article 10. Voted to raise and appropriate for street lighting, one thousand nine hundred eighty dollars (\$1,980.)

Article 11. Mrs. J. K. Milliken read the report with recommendations and was given a vote of thanks for services rendered.

Article 12. Voted to appropriate from the "Sale of Pines" fund the sum of three hundred twenty-five dollars (\$325) to carry out the recommendations of the reforestation committee regarding reforestation.

Article 13. Voted to raise and appropriate One Hundred Seventy-five Dollars (\$175.00) to carry out the recommendations of the reforestation committee regarding repairs on the town farm.

Article 14. Voted that the selectmen be authorized to appoint a clerk at a salary of \$75.00; the water commissioners to appoint a clerk at a salary of \$300.00; the school committee to appoint a clerk at a salary of \$50.00.

Article 15. Voted for a reserve fund that the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) be transferred from the surplus overlay.

Article 16. Voted that the sum of five hundred dollars be raised and appropriated to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the state or county or both under Chapter 90 for the maintenance of Chapter 90 roads in town.

Article 17. Voted to transfer one thousand six hundred seventy-five dollars (\$1,675.00) from the Machinery Equipment Fund to the Machinery Equipment account for the purpose of repairing and operating road machinery.

Article 18. Voted to appropriate two thousand four hundred eighty-seven dollars (\$2,487.00) from the Machinery Equipment Fund for the purpose of purchasing the following equipment for the highway department: a new truck, a road sander, a used utility truck or passenger car.

Article 19. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for the purpose of repairing the town highway garages.

Article 20. Voted that the town transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to purchase 7.8% U. S. Cert. of Indebtedness in order to establish a post war rehabilitation fund for school building in accordance with Chap. 5 Acts of 1943. Mr. Ernest J. Knapton of the school committee speaking in favor of the motion, said that he was aware that conditions were not as favorable this year for asking for a larger sum. The finance committee supports the appropriation of this amount, thus he believed it better to vote this smaller sum at this time. There was little opposition and the vote was without dissent.

Article 21. On motion by E. J. Knapton it was voted: "that the town set up a planning committee to make recommendations to the town on the subject of post war school building in Norton, this committee to consist of the following twelve members: The members of the School Committee, the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, the President of the Norton Parent Teachers' Association, Judge Ralph C. Estes, William Flaherty, Thomas F. Manning, Milton Perry, Clifford E. Reynolds and Evelyn Sheehan.

Article 22. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Dollars to cover the expenses of the planning committee authorized in Article 21.

Article 23. Voted the Board of Health be instructed to investigate the possibilities of collection of garbage throughout the town and submit their report at a subsequent town meeting either special or regular.

Article 24. Voted that the selectmen be authorized to sign, acknowledge, execute and deliver on behalf of the Town of Norton to William A. Alston and Pearl A. Alston, husband and wife, a quit claim deed to the premises situated on the westerly side of Washington Street, Norton, Mass., being the same premises described

in a deed given by the selectmen of Norton to Alice Hicks, dated September 2, 1930, recorded in Bristol County North District Registry of Deeds, Book 811, Page 89.

Said deed being given for the purpose of correcting title and for validating the said former deed. (It was found that the selectmen at the time had no authorization from the town to sell the property.)

Article 25. A substitute article was presented reading as follows:

To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to petition the legislature for legislation to authorize the payment of certain land damages for land taken for the construction of Bay Road, so called, or take any action relative thereto. W. C. S. Wood raised objection to the substitution, declaring that if this procedure was followed any article might be so changed. Moderator Thomas agreed on the point taken. Selectman Tucker explained that the Director of Accounts had written this motion as the only way in which damage or alleged damage could be paid as the legal time for claims had expired.

Moderator Thomas ruled the motion out of order but said he understood the selectmen had legal counsel on the matter. Selectman Tucker then read the opinion of Swift & Swift which was that the time for filing claims had now expired and the town was no longer under obligation to pay for alleged land damage.

The opinion was of considerable length, citing the laws and decisions. Selectman Scott being questioned said the selectmen had always tried to make agreeable settlements rather than defend law suits but did not know in the present case who should have notified the abutters. George J. Traviss enquired as to the amount of damage involved and Mr. Scott replied that no amount was brought before the meetings. Selectman Tucker was requested to read list of claims and claimants and the list as prepared by the town counsel was read.

John Hyland protested that the motion (substitute) would give the selectmen too much authority to make settlements. Select-

man Scott said such was not the case as no settlement would be made without vote of the town. Mr. Tucker added that according to state law quoted by Theodore N. Waddell, and also by the town counsel, the town could not offer more than an increase of 25% over the damage loss as shown by the assessors' valuation of the property before and after the taking.

Moderator Thomas told the house that if they chose and so voted, they could reverse the decision of the chair, and with the encouragement he advanced the vote was taken by acclamation and the decision of the chair was reversed. Judge Ralph C. Estes said that although the right to appeal was delayed and in consequence outlawed and the town protected by legislature from payment, yet he thought the legislature would give the town authority to settle.

Action was then taken on the substituted article and it was voted under Article 25: "that the selectmen are hereby authorized to petition the legislature for legislation to authorize the payment of certain land damages for land taken for the construction of Bay Road so called.

Article 26. Voted to raise and appropriate for salary of dog officer twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) and for expense of dog officer one hundred seventy-five dollars. (\$175.00.)

Article 27. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for the general care of town owned cemeteries.

Article 28. Voted to appropriate from surplus revenue sixty-three hundred dollars (\$6,300.) to extend the water main along South Worcester Street from the property of Boivin twelve hundred feet more or less to a point opposite the residence of Harry Eddy. (By petition.)

Article 29. Voted to appropriate from surplus revenue six thousand dollars (\$6,000.) to extend the water main along Barrows Street one thousand feet more or less to a point opposite the late William Dunn homestead. (By petition.)

Article 30. Voted to appropriate from surplus revenue six thousand two hundred dollars (\$6,200) to extend the water main

from East Main Street along South Washington Street to the residence of Howard Foster—a distance of one mile more or less.

Article 31. Voted to raise and appropriate two thousand dollars (\$2,000) for the purchase of a fire truck to be placed at Norton Grove. The station where the truck is kept to be heated and a siren for alarm installed. The station, heating and alarm to be provided and maintained by the Norton Grove Association.

Article 32. Voted to appropriate five thousand dollars (\$5,000) from surplus revenue to reduce the tax rate of 1945.

At this point the moderator made his appointments of the 1945 members of the finance committee as follows: Charles Baker of Plain Street, William Flaherty of South Worcester Street, A. Avery Clapp of East Main Street, Paul Sabourin of West Main Street, Edward H. Schissler of North Worcester Street.

Meeting was then adjourned to March 12th, 1945 at 12 M.

Monday March 12, 1945

Polls opened at 12 M. with Moderator Samuel Thomas II officer in charge. Ballot Clerks were Mrs. Katherine Cheetham and Miss Arlene Plunkett. Arthur Wood with the town clerk and moderator functioned as tellers and canvassed the ballots at the closing of the polls at 8 p. m. The voting was extremely light, ninety-five being cast out of a total registration of 1900. The result was announced by Moderator Thomas at 9:15 P. M. and was as follows:

Town Clerk for one year—George E. Smith

Seventy-three	73
Blanks and scattering	22
Total	95

Treasurer for one year—George E. Smith

Seventy-three	73
Blanks and scattering	22
Total	95

Collector of Taxes—George E. Smith		
Seventy-one		71
Blanks and scattering		24
	Total	95
Selectman for three years—John G. Adair		
Eighty-two		82
Blanks and scattering		13
	Total	95
Board of Public Welfare for three years—Lester M. Johnson		
Eighty-nine		89
Blanks		6
	Total	95
Assessor for three years—William E. Fales		
Seventy-eight		78
Blanks		17
	Total	95
School Committee for three years—Bernice Freeman		
Seventy-two		72
Blanks		23
	Total	95
Water Commissioner for three years—Carleton Draper		
Eighty-five		85
Blanks		10
	Total	95
Moderator for one year—Samuel W. Thomas II.		
Sixty-five		65
Blanks and scattering		30
	Total	95

Tree Warden for one year—Albert S. Lincoln

Eighty-six	86
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Blanks	9
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Total	95
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Constables for one year

Stephen Benaski—Seventy	70
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Ralph Clapp—Seventy-one	71
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Carlton Draper—Eighty-one	81
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Antonio Marshall—Sixty-two	62
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George Nesbit—Sixty-four	64
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Milton Perry—Seventy-two	72
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Benjamin B. Scanlon—Seventy-six	76
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William R. Scott—Eighty	80
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Town Committee for one year

Bernard Cabisius—Seventy-five	75
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Paul Sabourin—Seventy-seven	77
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Arthur Valentine—Eighty-one	81
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Blanks	52
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Total	285
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Adjourned:

GEORGE E. SMITH, *Town Clerk*

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING DECEMBER 31, 1945

Bristol, ss.

To Benjamin B. Scanlon or either of the Constables of the town
of Norton, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby directed
to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Norton to meet

in the town hall in said Norton on Monday evening the thirty-first day of December 1945 at eight o'clock, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To see if the town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Highway Equipment Fund to the Highway Equipment Account for the purpose of operating and repairing road machinery.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to appropriate sums of money and transfer same from available funds for the following purposes:

- (a) For repairs and improvement to bridges.
- (b) For Public Welfare and Aid to Dependent Children.
- (c) For snow removal.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies of the body of the same at each of the public meeting houses and at least three other public places in said town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Moderator, at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-fourth day of December in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-five.

JOHN B. SCOTT

JOHN G. ADAIR

WILLIAM J. TUCKER

Selectmen of Norton

RECORD OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING DECEMBER 31, 1945

A quorum of twenty-five voters was secured at 8:15 P. M. when the meeting was called to order by Samuel Thomas II moderator.

Motions were made by Lester M. Johnson, Chairman of Finance Committee and seconded by Benedict J. Yelle and the following votes were taken:

Article 1. To transfer from the Highway Equipment Fund to the Highway Equipment Account for the purpose of operating and repairing machinery, eleven hundred dollars (\$1,100.00.)

Article 2. "a" For repairs and improvement of bridges the sum of twelve hundred dollars (\$1,200.00) to be appropriated and transferred from the overlay surplus.

"b" Voted to transfer from the Old Age Assistance Account to Public Welfare, three hundred dollars and to Aid to Dependent Children account seven hundred dollars.

"c" Voted to appropriate and transfer from overlay surplus for snow removal, one thousand five hundred fifty dollars (\$1,550.)

Adjourned at 9 o'clock P. M.

GEORGE E. SMITH, *Town Clerk*

DOG OFFICERS REPORT 1945

To the Board of Selectmen:

My report for the period ending December 31, 1945, is hereby submitted:

Complaints investigated	50
Dogs destroyed	35
Notices sent out	38
Dogs redeemed by owners	10

STEPHEN BENASKI, *Dog Officer*

DOGS LICENSED IN NORTON 1945

	M	F	S		M	F	S
Abbott, A. M.	2	—	—	Clapp, Mrs. Frank	—	1	—
Angus, Cecil C.	1	—	—	Clapp, Charles M.	—	1	—
Alves, John C.	1	—	—	Clapp, Louise	1	—	—
Anderson, George	—	1	—	Cail, James G.	1	—	—
Adams, Gladys	—	—	1	Clarke, Dr. Elmer W.	—	1	—
Ash, Charles	1	—	—	Charette, Thomas	2	—	—
Alpert, Simpson	1	—	—	Catelli, Leon	2	—	—
Anderson Einar	—	—	1	Cabana, Ephraim	1	—	—
Adair, John R.	—	—	1	Collins, Kenneth	—	2	—
Atwood, Eleazer	1	—	—	Cabiscius, Martha	1	—	—
Allen, Joseph	1	—	—	Corbeil, Emile	1	—	—
Alger, Natalie	1	—	—	Cheetham, Katherine	1	—	2
Adair, W. H.	1	—	—	Campbell, Marcus	1	—	—
Austin, Marie	—	—	1	Choptovy, Mike	1	—	—
				Charette, George Jr.	1	—	—
Bradstreet, Esther	—	—	1				
Bennett, Elmer	1	—	—	Dorr, Winthrop	—	—	1
Burgess, Lees	1	—	—	Doherty, Harry	1	—	—
Braisier, Gertrude	—	1	1	Doherty, Lena	1	—	—
Bolton, Flora	1	—	—	DeCosta, Joseph	1	—	—
Balfour, L. G.	—	—	1	Downey, Rev. James	1	—	—
Bliss, Flora	1	—	—	Davis, Irving	2	—	—
Blanding, Edward	—	—	1	DeLoid, Alice	—	—	2
Bernard, Angelina	—	—	1	Dee, William B.	1	—	—
Brooks, Roy	1	—	—	Duisso, John	1	—	—
Boutilier, Donald	1	—	—	Davis, Harold	1	—	—
Bernheimer, Paul	—	1	—	Devlin, Patrick	2	—	—
Barros, Carmen	2	—	—	Dahlberg, Elna	—	—	1
Baker, Natalie	1	—	—	Danforth, Albert	1	—	—
Brown, Everett	1	—	—	Dawson, Carl	1	—	—
Bump, Frank	1	—	—				
Beaudoin, Amie	1	—	—	Estabrook, Alta	—	—	1
Blette, Peter	1	—	—	Eggers, L. W.	2	—	—
Bartley, Helen	—	1	—	Eddy, Carrie	1	—	1
Butts, Chester	1	—	—				
Baker, Edna	—	—	1	Foster, Drusilla	1	—	—
Bauza, John	2	—	—	Farris, Harold	1	—	—
Brown, Joseph E.	—	—	2	Foster, Leighton	1	—	—
Bottomley, Robert	1	—	—	Fales, Bertram	2	1	—
				Flood, Charles K.	1	—	—
Curtis, John	1	—	—	Fitzgerald, Maurice	1	—	—

	M	F	S		M	F	S
Fortin, Romeo	1	—	—	Jenks, Albert	—	—	1
Fitzgerald, John	1	—	—	Jennings, Herbert	—	1	—
Fitzgerald, Joseph E.	1	2	—	Jillson, Marguerite	1	—	—
Foster, Howard	1	—	—	Jacobs, George	1	1	—
Fletcher, Charles	—	—	1	Johnson, Pearl	1	—	—
Freeman, Arnold	1	—	—	Jones, William	—	—	1
Faria, Mrs. Armond	1	—	—				
				Kelley, Walter	1	—	—
Gredler, David	1	—	—	King, Homer B.	1	1	—
Gould, Frederick	—	—	1	Kanter, Marion	1	—	—
Garrity, John P.	1	—	—	Kingsley, J. Wm.	—	1	—
Gardner, Walter	2	—	—	Kenniston, Arnold	1	—	—
Giles, C. Wesley	—	—	1	Kenniston, Ernest	1	—	—
Goold, Douglas	—	—	1	Keene, Benton	1	—	—
Gorman, Napoleon	1	—	1	Knight, Earl	—	—	1
Garrity, Donald	1	—	—				
Gildersleeve, Oscar	1	—	—	Lorance, Dorothy	—	—	1
Goff, Charlotte	1	—	—	Leroux, Herman	1	—	—
Goff, James	1	—	—	L'Amoureux, Louis J.	1	—	—
Gross, John	—	—	1	Lincoln, Albert	1	—	—
				LaCasse, Raymond	1	—	—
Henning, Charles	1	—	—	LaMarche, Jessie	—	—	1
Hallihan, Mildred	—	—	1	Leonard, Ernest	—	—	1
Harrington, Cornelius	—	—	1	Leonard, A. Lincoln	1	1	—
Hicks, Jessie	1	—	—	Lamothe, Adelbert	1	—	—
Hyland, Edward	1	—	—	Lincoln, Edith	1	—	—
Holmes, Lester	1	—	1	LeClaire, Henry	1	—	—
Hoare, George	—	—	1	Lincoln, Fred O.	1	—	—
Haskell, Alonzo	1	1	—	Larson, Albert	—	—	1
Houle, Ernest	—	—	1	Larsen, David	2	—	1
Hutton, John	—	—	1	Larsen, Mariam	—	—	1
Harnden, Herbert	1	—	—	Larsen, Paul	3	—	—
Hobson, Jack	—	—	1	Larsen, Esther	1	—	—
Harnden, James	1	—	—	Larsen, Betty	1	—	—
Houde, Arthur	1	1	—	Lane, Dorothy	2	1	—
Hatch, Percival	1	—	—	Littlefield, Dorothy	1	—	—
Hardy, Joseph	2	—	1	Laurence, Helen	1	—	—
Hadley, William	1	1	—	Little, John	1	—	—
Hill, Freda	1	—	—	Leonard, Beatrice	1	—	—
Hinton, Opal	1	—	—	Lemaire, Berta	1	—	—
Hemond, George	1	—	—	Lehr, Eugene	1	—	—
				LaChapelle, W. Robert	—	—	1
Jewell, G. Bernard	—	—	1	Lori, Cadorna	1	—	—

	M	F	S		M	F	S
Lapointe, Albert	1	—	—	Paddock, Herbert	1	—	—
Lapointe, Romeo	1	—	—	Parker, Andrew	—	—	1
Lincoln, William	—	—	1	Perry, Evelyn	1	—	—
Lopes, Manuel	1	1	—	Perry, Evelyn	1	—	—
LeBrown, Oliver	1	1	—	Packer, Lloyd	1	—	—
Leonard, Ralph	1	—	—	Patriquin, Doris	—	—	1
Leonard, Irving	—	—	1	Pelletier, Helena	1	—	—
				Paulding, Bartlett	—	—	1
McClosky, Harry	1	—	—	Plante, Wilfred	1	—	—
McCaffrey, Jerome	1	—	—	Pino, Charles	1	—	—
Meneely, A. Howard	—	—	1	Pino, John	1	—	—
Mondor, George F.	—	1	—	Paquette, Laurier	1	—	—
Murphy, Francis	1	—	—	Paquette, Roland	1	—	—
McGarry, Arthur	1	—	1	Proskey, Pauline	1	—	—
McHugh, Fred	—	—	1	Pelchat, Eloi	1	—	—
Marvel, Edward	1	—	—				
MacKinley	1	—	—	Reynolds, Clifford	1	—	—
McMahon	1	—	—	Regan, Charles J.	—	—	1
Monk, Frank	1	1	—	Ridgeway, Mrs. Jesse	—	—	1
Miner, Joseph	1	—	—	Reynolds, Morris	—	—	1
Monterio, Manuel	1	—	—	Robinson, Mae	—	—	1
MacPherson, Donald	1	—	—	Richards, H. A.	1	—	—
Mullins, Timothy	1	—	—	Radnor, William	1	—	—
McCall, Robert	1	—	—	Rawlinson, John	1	—	1
McDonald, Margaret	1	—	1	Radnor, Andrew	1	—	—
MacFarlane, John	2	—	1	Riberio, August	1	—	—
Mowrey, Herbert	—	—	1	Roberts, Aaron	1	—	—
Miller, Dorothy	1	—	—	Roberts, Edward	1	—	—
Marshall, Antonio	1	—	—	Roy, Neree	1	—	—
Maslak, William	1	—	—	Russell, Harold	1	—	—
Mohr, Theodore	—	—	1	Ritchie, Bruce	—	—	1
Morrill, John	1	—	—	Rondeau, Joseph	1	—	—
Mahar, Adolphus	1	—	—	Roy, Homer	—	—	1
				Reuben, Mary	1	—	—
Nourse, Laurence	—	—	1	Rich, James	1	—	—
Nowell, Robert	1	—	—				
Nickerson, Helen	—	—	1	Sullivan, Minnie	1	—	—
				Shaw, M. Alice	—	—	1
O'Leary, Martha	1	—	—	Stark, Edward	1	—	—
				Sprague, Alden	1	—	—
Patenaude, Nelson	1	—	—	Syjatx, Hermine	1	1	—
Platt, Mary	—	—	1	Scanlon, Benjamin	1	—	—
Preble, Campbell	—	1	—	Small, Sebastian	2	—	—

	M	F	S		M	F	S
Sibley, Abbie	1	—	—	Wood, Ethel	1	—	—
Stenstrom, Robert	3	—	—	Wheeler, Helen	—	—	1
Scott, Charles	—	—	1	Wilhelm, Walter	1	—	1
Sanford, Vaughn	—	—	1	Waite, Burton	—	—	1
Smith, Herbert	—	—	1	Woodward, Carlton Jr.	1	—	—
Sweet, Ernest	—	—	1	Wilkinson, Stanley	—	1	—
Scawthorne, Lewis	1	1	—	Wentzell, Arthur	1	—	—
Schurman, Frederick	1	—	—	Woodward, Harold	1	—	—
Stearns, Elizabeth	—	1	—	Woodward, Edith	—	—	3
Santos, Frank	1	—	—	Winter, Louise	1	—	—
Stenfeldt, Nils	1	—	—	White, Irene	1	—	—
Sweet, Roland	1	—	—	Woodward, Albert Jr.	1	—	—
Stepanek, John	1	—	—	Waterman, Leslie	1	—	—
Stepanek, Peter	2	—	—	Wiswall, Norman	2	—	—
Stepanek, Philip	—	—	1	Watson, Rose	1	—	—
Shaw, John	1	—	—	White, Vernon	—	2	—
Spencer, Elwood	2	—	—	Webber, George	1	—	—
Schmid, Alex	1	—	—	Young, Robert	—	1	—
Spencer, Burnett	1	—	—				
Smolar, William	1	1	—				
Snow, Edward	1	—	—				
Travis, George	1	—	—				
Titus, Clifford	1	—	—				
Thomas, Samuel	1	—	—				
Tribou, Ruth	1	—	—				
Tucker, William	1	—	—				
Tierney, Eugene	—	—	1				
Thurber, Laura	1	—	—				
Texeira, Alex	2	—	—				
Thomas, James	1	—	—				
Thibault, Leo	1	—	1				
Todorsky, Francis	1	—	—				
Taylor, Winston	—	—	1				
Valquette, Oscar Jr.	1	—	—				
Vashaw, Leonard	3	1	—				
Villaneuve, Albert	1	—	1				

1945 KENNEL LICENSES

Ashley, Chester	
Bernheimer, Paul	
Becker, E. Clifton	
Facey, Daniel	
Males	237
Females	35
Spayed	82
Total	354

GEORGE E. SMITH

Town Clerk

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN NORTON IN 1945

Date	Name	Address
JANUARY—		
24	Conley G. Eagan	Vermont
	Shirley R. Sears	Vermont
FEBRUARY—		
18	Lewis S. Rubin	Norton
	Inna Troupin	New York City
24	Donald Farquhar	Norton
	Lucy M. Richmond	Norton
MARCH—		
3	James C. Burke	Brockton
	Elsie A. Roy	Norton
23	Victor L. Ferguson	Norton
	Marie D. Grenier	Norton
30	Attilio D. Fusco	Mansfield
	Anne McAuley	Mansfield
APRIL—		
7	Edward F. Gonsalves	Norton
	Lena Cervelli	Mansfield
7	Lovell McClanahan Jr.	Idaho
	Hilda Teixeira	Norton
	Chester S. Butts	Norton
	Hilda Cravinho	Taunton
20	Augustin P. Lynch	Norton
	Eleanor R. Ames	Cambridge
MAY—		
5	Arthur I. Knott	Norton
	Helen T. Sullivan	Norton
25	Charles R. Bennett	Norton
	Doris Bonnea	No. Attleboro
26	Ernest R. Bury	Seekonk
	Ruth F. Jenks	Norton
26	Cecil T. Moody	Maine
	Marion McGuire	Providence
31	Malcolm L. Phillips	Berkley
	Evelyn A. Robbins	Norton
JUNE—		
2	Richard J. LaRogue	Attleboro
	Alice J. Gonsalves	Norton

Date	Name	Address
14	Wade L. Grindle Jr.	Winchester
	Priscilla G. Brown	Attleboro
17	David Marks	Oak Bluffs
	Lena Marden	Norton
21	John C. Vieira	Attleboro
	Carmen D. Brazil	Norton
23	Thomas Rochford	Norton
	Ruth S. Tribou	Norton
27	Ernest L. Lapointe	Norton
	Delphine J. Ircadia	Boston
30	Joseph A. Demers	Norton
	Georgina Lussier	Norton
JULY—		
8	Arthur W. Holmes	Norton
	Nellmarie Sutter	Sharon
30	Adrien Levesque	Taunton
	Marjorie R. Moquin	Norton
AUGUST—		
4	James L. Wade	Norton
	Eva L. Gaynor	Norton
4	William A. Hill	Norton
	Elanor B. Carter	Leominster
4	Charles F. Baker Jr.	Norton
	Carol H. Bottomley	Norton
SEPTEMBER—		
1	Sylvester W. Cox	Vermont
	Arlene L. Johnson	Norton
24	Edward C. Thibault	Norton
	Ella A. Safford	Norton
OCTOBER—		
5	Edward J. Corbeil	Norton
	Alice Santos	Norton
6	Charles H. Phillips	Norton
	Evelyn E. Dorothy	Norton
8	Melvin L. Brasier	Norton
	Mary D. Palmer	Norton
NOVEMBER—		
3	Kenneth E. Swaine	No. Attleboro
	Irma F. Sawler	Norton
6	Kenneth E. Farris	Attleboro

Date	Name	Address
	Ella M. Bennett	Norton
17	John C. Hyland	Norton
	Ruth M. Scott	Attleboro
21	John F. Kelly	Providence
	Mary M. Egan	Providence
24	Veto B. Grudinskas	Norwood
	Christine G. Sousa	Norton
24	Michael J. Murphy Jr.	Taunton
	Mary I. Fernandes	Norton

DECEMBER—

1	Eustace H. Benson	Attleboro
	Odina Larocque	Attleboro
15	Chester A. White	Taunton
	Annie E. Ivey	Norton
22	Clinton M. Ritchie Jr.	Minden, La.
	Charlotte Covell	Barrington, R. I.
23	Emil Kornsand	Brighton, Mass.
	Olive Mayer	Norton

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BIRTHS RECORDED IN NORTON 1945

Date	Name of Child	Sex	Names of Parents
JANUARY—			
1	Raymond Francis Jackson	M	George A. & Velma (Feener) Jackson
15	Brenda Elaine Kelly	F	Walter O. & Rita (Winter) Kelly
19	Nancy Robbins	F	Henry W. & Mary (Freeman) Robbins
31	Richard Philip Allard	M	Leo & Eloise (Leroux) Allard
FEBRUARY—			
3	Margaret Silva	F	John & Georgianna (Jardin) Silva
4	Stillborn	F	
12	Linda Nancy Spencer	F	Harold & Corinne (Brasier) Spencer
21	Dean Allen LaPointe	M	Albert J. & Evelyn (Siefried) LaPointe
28	James Brien McGarry	M	Edward M. & Susan (Lynch) McGarry
MARCH—			
5	 Baron	F	John E. & Mary (Ball) Baron
9	William Mack Lawrence 2nd	M	Robert S. & Gwendolyn (Cameron) Lawrence
17	Sally Ann Mabel Jennings	F	Herbert & Miriam (Potter) Jennings
APRIL—			
10	Judith Ann Gefis	F	Stanley & Gertrude (Shaw) Gefis
15	David Robert Knapton	M	Ernest J. & Jocelyn (Babbitt) Knapton
17	Karen Ann Courchesne	F	Edgar J. & Rosalie (Farras) Courchesne
19	Marjorie Eleanor MacKinlay	F	Roy F. & Marjorie (McDonald) MacKinlay
23	Valerie Jane Gagne	F	Alfred & Evelyn (Santos) Gagne
27	Nancy Doris Cabisius	F	Bernard & Doris (Murphy) Cabisius
30	Clyde Alden Bennett	M	Elmer & Evelyn (Gingras) Bennett
MAY—			
7	Susan Darlington Austin	F	Holcombe & Ethelind (Elbert) Austin

Date	Name of Child	Sex	Names of Parents
22	John George Pedini	M	George & Wanet (Haskell) Pedini
27	John Dunreath Wyman	M	Franklin & Clara (Brownell) Wyman
19	Alec Charles Felder	M	Seymour & Dora (Fishman) Felder
29	Shirley Mary Mahar	F	Brenton & Elizabeth (Watson) Mahar

JUNE—

18	Carol Beatrice Tavares	F	Belmiro & Adeline (Galvin) Tavares
22	George Paul Rocha	M	David & Martha (Hassett) Rocha
23	Betty Ann Wickland	F	Bernard & Barbara (Ward) Wickland
27	Edwin Alfred Whitcomb	M	Alfred & Alice (Huff) Whit- comb

JULY—

2	Harold Allan LeBlanc	M	Alphee & Lucy (Minott) Le- Blanc
4	Robert Eugene Crowell Jr.	M	Robert & Hilda (Baker) Crowell
11	Wendy Jane Griffith	F	Joseph & Sally (Gray) Griffith
15	Raymond Hugh Scott	M	Hugh & Rita (Brady) Scott
24	John Silvia	M	John & Mary (Teixeira) Silvia
27	Stillborn	M	

AUGUST—

6	Thomas William Miner	M	Carl & Viola (Vrooman) Miner
6	Donna Lee Lorance	F	Wayne & Dorothy (Nason) Lor- ance
31	Eleanor Rose Edwards	F	Joseph & Helen (Gaus) Edwards

SEPTEMBER—

2	Robert Bruns Pineo	M	Arnold & Margaret (Innes) Pineo
14	Norman Francis Sullivan	M	William & Minnie (Webber) Sul- livan
15	Thomas Atwood Ashley	M	Chester W. & Alys (Krupa) Ash- ley
16	Martha Name Finnemore	F	Ebben & Vera (Jones) Finne- more
16	Herbert Mitchell Crom	M	Sherman & Shirley (Browne) Crom
26	Marcia Lee Dion	F	Victor & Marjorie (Henning) Dion

Date	Name of Child	Sex	Names of Parents
OCTOBER—			
8	Joan Dill	F	John & Charlotte (Goff) Dill
19	Joyce Kathryn Rich	F	Alec & Frances (Puliafico) Rich
19	Janet Roberge	F	Gerard & Yvonne (Cardeiro) Roberge
26	Sandra Lee Corbett	F	Maurice & Ethel (Nason) Corbett
27	Ruth Elizabeth Martin	F	Edward & Ruth (Gignall) Martin
NOVEMBER			
7	Billy Ann Teixeira	F	Roderick & Lena (Gonsalves) Teixeira
19	Eugene McCaffrey	M	Jerome & Alice (Budelman) McCaffrey
21	LeRoy Joseph Hudson	M	Leroy & Jeanette (Paille) Hudson
29	Kenwood Hayden Beckler	M	Frank & Winona (Houlihan) Beckler
DECEMBER—			
20	Marion Noel Guyot	F	Eugene A. & Margaret (Dalton) Guyot
26	Robert Andrew Foster	M	Andrew & Ellen (Seymour) Foster
29	David Francis Mahoney	M	David & Gladys (Walsh) Mahoney
29	Brenda Claire Marshall	F	Antonio M. & Claire (Gross) Marshall

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DEATHS RECORDED IN NORTON 1945

Date	Name	Y	M	D
JANUARY—				
4	Mary Warchal	71	—	—
14	William R. Richmond	53	10	12
19	Elmer Elliot	51	—	—
21	Stillborn	—	—	—
24	Marguerite Metivier	60	2	4
31	John Robbins	71	11	12
FEBRUARY—				
3	Harriet E. Stacey	83	0	—
3	Charles P. Mills	68	—	—
4	Stillborn	—	—	—
4	Elizabeth B. Travis	74	4	2
15	Minnie DeCoff	64	1	13
17	Charles Tremblay	45	—	—
22	Katie Shaw	85	4	18
MARCH—				
5	Leo Fontneau	48	8	13
9	John D. Carey	68	4	25
24	Joseph Lareau	71	—	—
26	Samuel R. Wooley	77	—	24
30	William E. Coddling	81	4	8
APRIL—				
5	Margaret L. Thomae	72	2	4
7	Helen F. Woods	71	10	7
17	Agnes Richmond	75	8	15
30	Clovis Roy	71	—	—
MAY—				
2	William B. Dee	44	9	2
10	Averice Bellavance	50	6	24
15	Catherine Wenzell	67	—	—
20	Fred B. Clafin	61	9	9
20	George J. Hathaway	57	3	5
26	Clara L. Lincoln	67	1	5
JUNE—				
10	Beatrice A. Harlow	54	2	10
29	Thomas Gale	87	5	27
28	Anne Gaffney	90	—	—

Date	Name	Y	M	D
JULY—				
1	Andrew Bryson	90	4	—
11	Arthur E. Cutler	71	6	9
20	Alice M. Ware	74	—	—
27	Stillborn	—	—	—
AUGUST—				
3	Isabelle Wiley	64	9	22
17	Donalt Collette	69	—	—
SEPTEMBER—				
3	Hannah Bryant	76	9	22
12	Annie E. Smith	84	1	7
NOVEMBER—				
21	Ethel M. Clapp	66	4	15
DECEMBER—				
5	Flora E. Bliss	64	8	13
5	Ralph Philip Boas	58	6	13
28	Valmore V. Bellavance	33	10	21

GEORGE E. SMITH, Town Clerk

BURIAL LOT TRUST FUNDS 1945

February 3—Received under the Will of Caroline L. Newcomb five hundred dollars—a trust fund—the income to be used for the care of lots of John B. Newcomb and Charles S. Newcomb in the Timothy Plain Cemetery. Any surplus to be used for the upkeep of the Chapel in said cemetery.

April 6—Received of Mabelle E. Shaw, one hundred dollars—a trust fund; the interest to be used for the perpetual care of the Mabelle E. Shaw lot in the Common Cemetery.

April 27—Received of Ruth Flint executrix of estate of Laura F. Barker one hundred dollars to be added to the perpetual care cemetery fund of Alfred Barker making the fund total \$200.00

May 17—Received of Charles Thomae one hundred dollars for a perpetual care cemetery fund to be known as Margaret Louise Thomae Fund, the lot in Norton Common Cemetery.

May 28—Received of Lulu Kershaw and Freida Anderson the sum of one hundred dollars for a perpetual care cemetery lot fund—David W. Makepeace Fund—in the Common Cemetery.

June 30—Received of Martha M. Chevers, Admx., estate of William E. Codding one hundred dollars for a cemetery lot fund. Interest to be used for care and upkeep of William E. Codding lot in Norton Common Cemetery.

August 9—Received of Viola M. Winch, executrix of estate of Roland Haskell, one hundred dollars; a perpetual care trust fund. The income to be used for the upkeep of the Alonzo and Roland Haskell burial lot in the Norton Common Cemetery.

September 29—Received of Gertrude Brooks of Northampton, Mass., one hundred dollars, a perpetual care cemetery lot trust fund (Alfred Thompson Fund.) The income to be used for the upkeep of the Alfred Thompson lot in the Norton Common Cemetery.

November 20—Received of Adrianna Dorothy, one hundred dollars for a perpetual care cemetery fund to be known as the Charles L. Dorothy burial lot trust fund. The income to be used for the care and upkeep of the above named lot in the Common Cemetery.

REPORT OF THE REFORESTATION COMMITTEE

March 5, 1945

TOWN FOREST:

While few new town forests have been added in Massachusetts during the past year, the acreage has been increased by approximately 800 acres, so that there are now 128 town forests with an acreage of 39,279 acres and in 1944 alone 75,000 trees were planted. The need of a continuing program of reforestation in this

section has been greatly emphasized by the devastation caused by the hurricane last fall in the Cape Cod region where some 60 million board feet of commercial timber were blown down. Trees were shattered to a much greater degree than in 1938, thus making many of them a total loss commercially. A young forest of 2000 acres with ordinary care would produce in fifty years, 60 million board feet.

DUTCH ELM DISEASE:

In the last report of the Massachusetts Committee on Dutch Elm Disease, it is stated that twelve infected trees have been found in the state,—eight more than in the previous year,—and in widely separated localities. The infected trees have been in Alford, Egremont, Great Barrington, Mount Washington, Pittsfield, Sheffield, Westfield and West Stockbridge. While these towns and cities are at some distance from our town of Norton, there is a real menace to our beautiful elms. Those who remember the complete destruction of our chestnut trees, will wish to take heed now and do every thing in their power to prevent our losing forever our stately elms. There are three things that every community can do: first, remove all dead wood out of the elms, because the beetles which carry the disease breed in such material; second, send at once any little outer twigs of the elms that show wilting of leaves to the Dutch Elm Disease Laboratory, Clark Hall, Amherst College, for while there are other causes for wilting of leaves, the peril to the elms is so grave that all wilting is to be viewed with suspicion; third, if an elm tree is cut down, see that stumps and branches left are destroyed or the bark peeled off, so that they will not provide breeding places for the beetles. Last year's experiment in the use of nesting boxes to increase the number of flicker and other varieties of woodpeckers in a given locality, conducted jointly by the Massachusetts Audubon Society and the Massachusetts Forest and Park Association, gave very satisfactory results. As high as 80 per cent of the boxes were occupied and the owners of the land were well repaid for their efforts. It is believed that woodpeckers are an important factor in holding the beetle population down in woodland areas and that their encouragement in urban districts should be beneficial.

NORTON TOWN FOREST:

This year the committee has concentrated on trimming around the young pine trees on the Lincoln Street tract, thus releasing them for future growth. Although there was difficulty in finding labor, during November we were able to have the help of a few of the men usually employed by the highway department and later the services of Mr. Gefis who lives near this tract. The work was done very satisfactorily and was nearly completed.

EXPENDITURES:

Appropriation	\$250.00
Labor and supplies	91.05
To be returned to Sale of Pines	158.95

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the work on the Lincoln Street tract be completed and the trash burned.
2. That some of the large pines on the north side of the road at Town Farm be sold with the understanding that they be cut as directed by the district forester.
3. That the committee make an effort to enlarge the town forest either by placing under the town forest act, land taken through tax title or by purchase. This recommendation is made in view of the fact that (quoting from a report of the last town forest conference) "town forest work not only develops as a public resource, lands now idle, worthless for revenue purposes and often an expense but, in the long run, proves a very profitable investment, eventually returning to the city or town concerned income many times the small sums originally expended."

TOWN FARM REPAIRS:

Expenditures—

Appropriation, \$350 plus balance from previous year	\$660.85
Repairing ceiling in kitchen and pantry, and walls in hall and bedrooms (reported last year but taken from this year's funds)	23.85

Kitchen and pantry walls painted 2 coats, ceilings whitened, hall and two bedrooms papered	125.00	148.85
Balance		512.00
Receipts—		
Mr. Lincoln, 1944 rent		\$120.00
Mr. Watson, 1944 rent		180.00
Land rental		25.00
Total		325.00
Total receipts		325.00
Expenditures		125.00
Cash profit		\$2.00.00
Rental in storage value at \$10 a month		120.00
Total profit		\$320.00

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Shingle back side of house and connecting buildings, patch barn and repair piazza floor and lattice work. (Estimate by Mr. Dorr, \$204.)
2. Paint house and connecting buildings. (Estimate, \$320.)
3. Arrange for necessary work on toilets and possibly a new cesspool. (Estimate, \$125.)

Respectfully submitted,

GERTRUDE CORNISH MILLIKEN

Chairman, Reforestation Committee

STORED IN BARN, 1945-1946

- 1 Road Grader
- 1 Street Sweeper
- 1 Water Cart
- 3 or 4 Gravel Screens
- 1 Road Hone

1 Sprayer
Snow fence in summer
Small articles
Cab for tractor

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

THE NORTON DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION

I herewith submit the following report of the Norton District Nursing Association for the year ending December 1945, which completes 25 years of faithful service to the people of Norton.

Since its foundation, the aim of the organization has been to provide professional care to the community, instruction in the home nursing of the sick, in the promotion of health, and information on disease prevention.

The following activities have been accomplished during the past year:

Nursing care of the sick in their homes, and instruction of someone in the home regarding the care of the patient.

Nursing care of the mother and baby after delivery.

Supervision of the health and habits of the school child, including First Aid Treatment, assistance in the control of Communicable disease through clinics, conferences, and teachings; and home visits in regards to the child's health and physical defects.

The daily routine starts at 8:30 A. M. at the Center School from which point the nurse leaves at 9:00 A. M. to make her round of the District and continues until she has cared for the last patient. Afternoons are devoted to the school department. A detailed report can be found under the School Department Annual Report.

The regular nursing duty are augmented by extending service to policy-holders of weekly premium policies of the John Hancock Insurance Company or the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.

Recapitulation:

Total number of visits	795
Non-Communicable	
Adult	120
Children	
Newborn	29
Over one month	25
Unclassified	10

I wish to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation for the co-operation I have received from Mrs. Samuel Thomas, president of the organization, the nursing committee for their help and guidance, to Mr. Charles Randall, Chairman of the Car Committee, and all those who have contributed to my success in my initial year as the District Nurse of Norton.

Respectfully submitted,

JENNIE REPUCCI

District Nurse

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

NORTON DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1946

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand January 1, 1945	\$2307.18
Received during year:	
Nurse's fees	\$ 463.75
Town of Norton for School Nurse	900.00
Town of Norton—welfare	9.00
John Hancock Life Insurance Co.—fees	60.50
Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.—fees	55.18
Membership drive, 1945	1,296.75
Afghan raffle	78.05

Refunds on telephone calls	1.00	
Total receipts from all sources		2,864.23
		\$5,171.41

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid during year:

Salary of nurses	\$1,584.18	
Substitute nurse	88.00	
Withholding taxes	231.41	
Nurse's supplies and expense bills	16.35	
Automobile expense (including insurance)	354.79	
Telephone	29.48	
Office and organization expenses (including new equipment)	157.69	
Christmast baskets (1944)	65.18	
Total disbursements		\$2,527.08
Balance on hand January 1, 1946		2,644.33
		\$5,171.41

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN J. YELLE, *Treasurer*

NORTON DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION

MEMBERSHIP LIST, 1945-1946

Adair, Mrs. R.
 Adair, Mrs. Wm.
 Albrecht, Elspeth
 Alger, M. O.
 Alger, Natalie
 Allen, Mrs. C. H.
 Alpert, Sam
 Alpert, Simpson
 Amen, Elisabeth

Anderson, Mrs. Einar
 Andrews, A.
 Angus, Mrs. Cecil
 Antine, Clinton C.
 Arena, Tony
 Annis, Mrs. Hazel
 Armstrong, Mrs. Marjorie
 Ash, Mrs. Charles
 Ashley, Mrs. Chester

- Ashley, Mrs. W. A.
Atwood, Mr. E.
Augat, Mrs. Ernest
Austin, Holcombe M.
Azevedo, Frank
- Baboza, Mrs. Lottie
Baker, Mrs. Charles F.
Baker, Charles
Balfour, Mr. and Mrs. L. G.
Bannon, William
Barney, E. M.
Barron, Mrs. Mary
Bartley, Elizabeth
Bartley, Mrs. Elizabeth
Bartley, Helen V.
Bartley, Helen
Bartley, Mrs. J.
Bartley, Mrs. Rita
Beaman, Isabel
Becker, Sarrell
Bennett, Mrs. Charles
Bernheimer, Mrs. Louise
Bernheimer, Paul
Berry, J.
Bilodeau, Frederick
Blanc, Mrs. A. L.
Blanc, Melanis
Blanchard, W.
Blanding, Mrs. Edw. L.
Bliss, Howard W.
Boas, Ralph P.
Boas, Mrs. Ralph
Bonney, Mrs. Russell
Bottomley, Mrs. Carl
Bottomley, Robert
Boucher, Mrs. Allen
Boulay, Mrs. Diana
Bradstreet, Esther
Brasier, Mrs. Delo
Briggs, D. C.
Briggs, Mrs. M.
Briggs, Mrs. Stanley
Britton, Adelbert F.
Britton, John L.
- Brochu, Mrs. Henry
Brown, Mrs. Raymond
Brown, Mr. Raymond
Bruce, Mrs. C. O.
Bruce, Charles O.
Bryant, Mary
Bryson, Mrs. Matthew
Bucep, Miss Irene
Burgess, Mrs. Grace
Burgess, Mrs. Lees
Burlingame, Frances
Byrd, Mrs. W. C.
Cabisius, Mrs. Bernard
Cabral, Mrs. Mary
Cady, Mildred
Cail, James
Camara, Jeanne
Cameron, Mrs. H. A. D.
Carpenter, Mrs. Florence
Carruthers, Mr. Samuel
Carruthers, Mrs. Samuel
Catelli, Mrs. Leon
Cavell, Anastasia
Chamberlain, June
Champagne, Louie
Charette, M. G.
Charette, O.
Chartley Sterling Co.
Chatterton, Catherine
Cheetham, Alice
Cheetham, Anne
Cheetham, Mrs. Katherine
Chicken Coop
Clapp, Alfred W.
Clapp, Chas. M.
Clapp, Mrs. Chas.
Clapp, Eleanor
Clapp, Mrs. Katherine
Clapp, Ralph F.
Clapp, Avery
Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Merle
Clark, Winford
Clarke, Dr. E. W.
Clarke, Mrs. Fred
Clark, Miriam A.

Clements, Mrs. George
Cleveland, Ruth
Clewes, Carolyn
Collins, Kenneth
Connors, Mr. Joseph
Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. A.
Cosgrove, Mrs. J. E.
Costa, Dr. Walter V.
Coyle, Clara V.
Cressey, Paul F.
Cressey, Mrs. Paul F.
Crowe, Mrs. Howard
Culross, Miss Mary
Curran, Mr. Thomas
Curran, Mrs. Thomas
Curtis, Mr. John

D. & D. Plating Company
Dahlberg, Carl A.
Dalcy, Mary
Danforth, Mr. Albert
D'Angelo, Vincent
Davis, Merrill
Dawson, Mrs. Fred
Davignon, Homer
Davis, Mrs. Harold
Davis, I.
Defiance Manufacturing Co.
Demers, Joe
DeLoid, Alice
DeLoid, Audrey
DeLoid, Paul
DeLoid, Ralph
DeLoid, Thelma
Desormeauz, Mrs. Lillian
Devlin, Mrs. Patrick
Dickenson, Shirley
Dingwell, Mrs. Jean
Dion, Arthur
Dion, Mrs. Henry
Doherty, Helen L.
Donnelly, Mr. and Mrs. R.
Dorr, I. L.
Doty, Mrs. Roland
Downey, Rev. J. A.

Draper, Carleton
Draper, Ann
Duffany, Mrs. Wilfred
Dumont, John
Dunham, John
Dunkle, Mabel E.
Durgin, Doris
Eddleston, Ralph
Eddy, Mr. and Mrs. Harry
Eddy, Mrs. Milton
Eisnor, E.
Edwards, Mrs. Joseph
Eggers, Rose
Estabrook, Alta
Estes, Judge and Mrs. R.
Evans, Mildred W.
Ewen, D. E. & Company

Facey, Mrs. Morie
Fales, Bertram
Fales, Mrs. Bertram
Farria, Marie
Farris, Mrs. Harold
Fernandes, Adelino
Fernandes, Mrs. Adelino
Fernandes, Joe
Fernandes Market
Ferrini, Mrs. Vincent
Ferrini, Vincent
Fields, Densmore
Fillmore, Mrs. Irving
Findlater, Jean
Finnamore, Mrs. Eben
Fitzgibbons, J.
Flaherty, W. V.
Flaherty, Mrs. W. V.
Fletcher, Mrs. Charles
Forsythe, Mrs. Mary
Foster, Alton
Foster, Jessie
Foster, Leighton
Foster, T.
Foucault, M.
Freeman, Arnold
Freeman, Mrs. Arthur

Freeman, Bernice
Freeman, Carlos D.
Freeman, Mrs. Charles
Freeman, Mrs. Edith
Freeman, Florence
Freeman, Nathaniel
Frolic Club
Fuller, Mrs. George H.

Gagne, Mrs. Cyril
Gallagher, Anne
Garabedian, Mrs. Carl
Gay, Lloyd
Gay, Mrs. Walter
Gefis, Stanley
Geiringer, Mrs. Hilda
Gerrish, Mrs. Albert
Greenwood, Mrs. Joseph
Gertz, Harold
Giles, Mrs. C. W.
Goff, Mrs. Lottie
Gonsalves, Mrs.
Gonsalves, Mrs. Joseph
Gonsalves, Peter
Goold, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas
Gorman, Napoleon
Gould, Mrs. Frederick
Greene, Mildred B.
Gregory, Mrs. Agnes
Griffin, Mrs. Mary
Guevremont, Anne
Gwilliam, Mrs. Edw.
Gulley, Elsie
Gunner, Mrs. Kenneth
Gwilliam, Mrs. Louise

Hackett, Mrs. Chas.
Hagstrom, Mr. E. R.
The Hallahans
Harnden, Mrs. Chester
Harnden, Hazel
Haskell Johnson Co.
Haskell, Mrs. Amy
Haskell, Mrs. Bertha
Haskell, Mrs. Malcolm

Haskell, Mildred
Hayes, Mildred
Hecox, Mr. R.
Helpard, Mr. John
Hemond, George
Henderson, Miss Lucy
Henning, Mrs. Carrie
Hesford, Anna
Hicks, Mrs. Jessie
Hidy, Mrs. R. W.
Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Howard
Hinds, Mrs. Helen
Hobson, Jack
Hobson, Mrs. Mary
Holmes, Miss Esther
Holmes, Lewis
Holmes, Mrs. Lillian
Holmes, Mrs. Mae
Holmes, Maud
Holmes, T. J. & Co.
Houde, Arthur
Howell, Mrs. Grace

Illingworth, Mrs. A.
Ivey, Mrs.

Jackson, Mr. Albert
Jackson, Mrs. George
Janelle, Adelard E.
Janes, Mrs. Rose
Jenkins, Mr. A.
Jenkins, Mrs. A.
Jenks, Mrs. Albert
Jenks, Mrs. Cora
Jennings, Mr. & Mrs. Herbert
Jennings, Miss H. C.
Jewell, Mr. Bernard
Jewell, Mrs. Bernard
Jillson, Mrs. Marguerite
Johndrow, Miss Elizabeth
Johnson, Mr. Harry
Johnson, Mr. & Mrs. Lester
Johnson, Mrs. Mary
Johnson Mr. Perry
Johnson, Mrs. Edith

Keene, Mrs. Benton
Keene, Mr. C. Dick
Keene, Mr. Fredrick
Kelley, Mrs. Rita
Kenniston, Mrs. Arnold
Kenniston, Mrs. Ava
Kilburn, Mrs. Mary
King, Mr. Adlore
King, Mrs. Walter
Knapton, E. J.
Knapton, Mrs. E. J.
Krall, Mrs. A.
Krall, Mr. A.
Kramer, Mrs. Grace

L'Amoureux, Mrs. Clara
Lane, Mrs. Alice
Lane, Miss Eula
Lane, George A.
Lane, Homer
LaPointe, Mrs. E.
Lane Bros. Laundry
LaChapelle, A.
Lawrence, Mrs. Helen
Lawrence, Mrs. Robert
Layton, Rena
Layton, Wm.
LeClaire, Mrs. Henry
Lehr, Mrs. Eugene
Leonard, Alton
Leonard, Ernest
Leonard, Mrs. Irving
Leonard, May
Leonard, Virgil
Lewis, Louisa
Lawley, Mrs. Thos.
Lincoln, M. G.
Lincoln, Mr. & Mrs. W. R.
Litchfield, Virginia
Little, Catherine
Little, Mrs. Gladys
Longstaff, Miss Nancy
Littlefield, E. Dorothy
Lorie, Mr. & Mrs. Cadorna
Lovering, Mrs. H. Vernon

Lynn, Miss C.

Machlup, Miss Mary
MacKinlay, Marjorie
MacKinnon, Olive
MacLeod, Mrs. Florence
MacLeod, Kenneth
MacPherson, Mrs. Donald
Maderios, Mrs. Laura
Mahoney, Mrs. D. F.
Mahoney, Margaret
Mahoney, Wm.
Manchester, Mrs.
Manning, Mrs. Thomas
Manning, Mr. Thomas
Marchese, Mrs. John
Marien, Mrs. Evelyn
Marshall, Mrs. Claire
Marshall, Mrs. Ernest
Martin, Marshall
Marty's
Marvel, Edward
Mastin, Miss Eleanor
Mayer, Miss O.
McCaffrey, Dr. Jerome
McGarry, Mrs. Arthur
McGarry, Mr. Edw.
McGrath, Mrs. Anna
McHugh, L. M.
MacMahon, Mrs. Rhea
McMurrough, Mrs.
Meneely, Mrs. A. H.
Meneely, Mr. A. H.
Miller, Mrs. Louise
Mondor, George
Mondor, Mr. Joseph
Monk, Mr. F.
Monterio, Mrs. M.
Monty, Austin
Moreau, Mrs. Gerda
Morgan, John
Morgan, Helen L.
Morse, Mrs. R. C.
Morse, Mr. T.
Morse, Mrs. T.

Mosher, Mrs. Florence
Mosher, Varney
Mondor, Peter
Munroe, Oscar
Murphy, Edith
Murphy, Mr. & Mrs. Frank

Nason, Mrs. Chas. O.
Nason, D. W.
Nesbit, Madeline
Newbert, Nancy
Newcomb, James
Newton, Mr. & Mrs. George
Nickerson, Mrs. Walter
Nourse, Laurence G.
Nourse, Lucile P.
Norton Center Garage
Norton Public Market
Newcomb, Mr. & Mrs. J.

O'Brien, Daniel
O'Connor, Mrs. Wm.
Oetjen, Miss Elizabeth
Old Colony Inn
O'Leary, Mr. James C.
O'Leary, Mrs. James C.
Orford, Frank G.

Packer, Mrs. Lloyd
Paddock, Ella
Paille, A.
Palace Club
Paquette, George
Paquette, Mr. G. S. Sr.
Paquette, Mr. Laurier
Paquette, Mr. Roland
Paris, Mrs. F. P.
Parker, Mrs. M.
Parker, Mrs. Andrew
Patenaude, Nelson
Paudier, Mrs. A. J.
Paulding, Mr. Bartlett
Partridge, Gerald
Paulding, Mrs. Mildred
Pelchat, Mr. L.

Pelletier, Mrs. Albert
Pelletier, F.
Pelletier, Mrs. Rose
Perry, Louise S. G.
Perry, Miss Mabel H.
Perry, Milton G.
Phillips, Ellis C.
Phillips, Mrs. Fred
Phillips, Mrs. Helen M.
Pierce, Charlotte
Pierce's Filling Station
Pike, Mrs. Lillian
Pike, Mrs. Ruth
Pino, D.
Pino, Frank
Pino, Rosario
Pires, Mrs. Anthony
Plante, Wilfred
Platt, Mary F.
Plunkett, Arline
Plummer, Marjorie
Porter, L.
Post, Mrs. Doris
Post, Melvin
Powers, Mrs. Robert
Pratt, Mrs. J. C.
Pratt's Store
Pritchard, Marion
Prado, Ernest

Quebman, Mr. John
Quebman, Mrs. John

Radevicz, Mrs. Michael
Radnor, Andrew
Rafter, Mrs. Gwendolyn
Ramseyer, Mr. and Mrs. Frank
Rand, Mr. Hollis Jr.
Randall, Charles S.
Randall, Mr. Walter M.
Rawlinson, Mrs. John
Raymond, Elizabeth
Regan, Mr. Chas.
Regan, Mrs. C. J.
Rei, Manuel Gomes

Reinhard, Mr. and Mrs. L.
Reinhard, Mrs. L. S.
Repucci, Jennie
Reynolds, Anne
Reynolds, Mr. C. E.
Reynolds, Mrs. C. E.
Reynolds, Helen
Richmond, M.
Richmond, Mrs. Zaidae
Rich, Mrs. C.
Ridgeway, Mrs. Ethel
Rihm, Mrs. Helen
Robello, Mrs. Dodothea
Roberts, Mrs. Bertha
Roberts, Mrs. Lena
Robbins, Mr. A.
Robbins, Granville E.
Robbins, Mrs. Harry
Robbins, John
Robbins, Mrs. Raymond
Robinson, Mrs. Margaret
Rochford, Mrs. Thomas
Rocha, Mr. and Mrs. David
Rosequist, Mrs. E. R.
Ross, Mrs. Arthur
Roy, Mr. Albert
Rubin, Lewis
Runje, Mr. D.
Russell, Dorothy
Russell, Mrs. Harold
Russell, W. H.
Ryder, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur

Sabourin, Catherine
J. B. Sabourin Co.
Sabourin, Paul
Sanford, Mrs. Arnold B.
Sawyer, Mrs. A. C.
Scanlon, B. B.
Schissler, Mr. Edward
Schissler, Mrs. Edward
Schmid, Alex
Scott, Mrs. Andrew
Scott, Mrs. Hugh C.
Scott, John B.

Seaver, Esther I.
Seel, Ole
Seel, Irene
Seymour, Mrs. John
Shamlian, Miss Nevert
Shaw, Ella
Shaw, G.
Shaw, Mr. Henry
Shaw, Mrs. John A.
Shaw, Mrs. Mildred
Sheehan, Mrs. Evelyn
Shipley, Mr. Walter C.
Shipley, Mrs. Walter C.
Shook, Mrs. G. A.
Sibley, Mrs. Abbie J.
Silvia, Hilda
Simmons, Mrs. Catherine
Simmons Store
Sinclair, Dorothy
Sinclair, Evelyn
Sinclair, Mrs. J.
Smith, Mrs. Margaret
Small, Mrs. S.
Smith, Mrs. G. E.
Smith, Mr. G. E.
Smith, Mrs. Eli
Smith, Mrs. Laura
Smith, Mrs. Belle
Smith, Mrs. Robert
Sousa, Mrs. A. J.
Sousa, Mrs. Frank
Sousa, John
Spatcher, Lora
Spatcher, Carl
Spofford, Mrs. David
Sprague & Reynolds
Sprague, Mrs. Annette
Sprague, Mrs. Clinton
Sprague, Wilma C.
Sturdy, Mrs. Wm.
St. James, Mrs. E.
Sturdy, Mrs. Arthur
Sturdy, Mrs. Sarah
Sturdy Bros.
Sumner, Mrs. Wm.

Sumner, Mr. W.
Sweet, Mrs. C.
Sweet, Mrs. Ernest
Sweet, Arthur
Sweet Paper Box Co.
Sylvester, Mr. Wm.
Sylvester, Mrs. Wm.
Sweet, Lois C.

Talbot, Mr. F. S.
Talbot, Mrs. F. S.
Talbot, Gertrude
Teixeira, Evangelina
Teixeria, John
Teixeira, Mrs. Juliana
Teixeira, Manuel
Thomae, Mr. Charles
Thayer, Virginia C.
Therien, Mrs. A.
Thomas, Mrs. Samuel
Thompson, Mrs. A.
Thornton, Mrs. Alfred
Talbot Wool Combing Co.
Thurber, Mrs. Laura
Tierney, Eugene
Todd, Florence
Tomase, Mr. and Mrs. Chas.
Travis, G.
Traviss, Mrs. G.
Tremblay, Mrs. Joseph
Tucker, Mr. E. E.
Tucker, Mrs. Ethel
Tucker, William
Tully, Mrs. Mabel
Tully, Mrs. Maude

Ulmer, Mrs. John
Urquhart, Mrs. Herbert

Valentine, Mr. Arthur
Valentine, Mrs. Arthur
Valentine, Mrs. Minnie
Vallette, Mrs. Mary
Victory Club
Villeneuve, Albert

Waite, Percy
Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. W.
Ward Baking Co.
Ward, Mrs. H.
Watson, Miss Esther
Watson, Mr. James C.
Watterson, Mr. T. J.
Wentzell, Mrs. Arthur
Westgate, Herbert
Wetherell, Mr. Bert
Wetherell, Harold
Wetherell, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard
Wetherell, Mildred
White, Mr. Oliver
Wilhelm, Mrs. Majorie
Whitaker, Mr. J.
Whitaker, Mrs. J.
Whitcomb, Alfred
Whitcomb, Florence
Whittermore, Mrs. Ruth L.
Wiley, Audrey
Williams, Miss Mary
Williams, Mrs. Walter
Wilkinson, Mr.
Winter, Mr. and Mrs. Bradford
Winter, Herbert
Winter, Mrs. George
Winter, Mrs. Walter
Wirtz, Jeanne
Wiswall, Mrs. Edith
Wiswall, Mrs. Evelyn
Wood, Mr. Ernest
Wood, Mrs. Ernest
Wood, Mildred C.
Wood, Arthur C.
Wood, Miss Ethel
Wood, Mr. G. Gilbert
Wood, Mr. W. C. S.
Woodward, Albert F. Sr.
Woodward, Albert F. Jr.
Woodward, Mrs. D. A.
Woodward, Elizabeth
Woodward, John
Woodward, Mrs. Lotta
Woodward, Russell

Woodward, Mrs. Horace
 Woolley, Mrs. S. R.
 Worness, Mrs. Dagny
 Worness, Mrs. Thora
 Work, Eunice
 Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Robert
 Wrigley, Mrs. Lena

Yelle, Benedict
 Yelle, Helen J.
 Yelle, Leo G.
 Yelle, Mrs. Ruth
 Young, Georgina
 Young, Sarah Belle

Yates, Ruth

Zablocka, Mrs. Anthony
 Zwicker, Mrs. Lucille

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE NORTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Board of Directors

Mr. Varney W. Masher	Term expires 1946
Mrs. Hattie Pratt	Term expires 1946
Mrs. Jennie Sturdy	Term expires 1946
Miss Caro Lynn	Term expires 1947
Mrs. Ada Pillsbury	Term expires 1947
Mrs. M. Florence Williams	Term expires 1947
Mr. E. J. Knapton	Term expires 1948
Mr. Samuel W. Thomas	Term expires 1948
Mrs. Helen Caffrey Yelle	Term expires 1948
The Selectmen, ex-officio	Term expires 1948

Officers of the Board

President	Miss Lynn
Vice-President	Mr. Knapton
Secretary	Mrs. Yelle
Treasurer	Mr. Mosher

Standing Committee of the Board

Building and Grounds: Mr. Mosher, Mr. Knapton, Mrs. Pratt,
 Mr. Thomas.
 Finance: Mr. Mosher, Mr. Knapton, Mr. Thomas, Mrs. Yelle.

Membership: Mrs. Pillsbury, Mrs. Sturdy, Mrs. Williams.

Book: Miss Lynn, Mr. Knapton, Mrs. Pratt, Mrs. Williams.

Librarian: Miss Gertrude Mott.

Assistant-Librarian: Miss Doris Durgin.

Acting Librarian: November, December, Mrs. Dorothea Robello.

Report of the President for 1945

Perhaps the brightest hour in the Library annals of 1945 was that which saw the end of fuel oil rationing, enabling the Library to return to a warmer house, and to its former hours. Especially we are glad to have the Periodical Room open as before, and invite patrons to resume use of this reading room during all regular hours. This room again performs a community service in housing on certain evenings the governing bodies of the Boy Scouts and the Cubs, with a member of the Library Board in attendance.

The Library hours are as follows:

Monday	Regular hours, 3-5 p. m.
Wednesday	Student hours, 12 m. to 3 p. m. Regular hours, 3-5, 7-9 p. m.
Saturday	Regular hours, 3-5, 7-9 p. m.

The deep sympathy of the Library Board goes out to Miss Gertrude Mott, forced by illness to months of suffering and hospitalization. We were fortunate to enlist as Acting-Librarian a former Norton girl, a trained and experienced librarian, Mrs. Dorothea Robello, who was for some years a children's librarian in the Waltham Library. Thanks to the generous help of the Assistant Librarian, Miss Durgin, and to the friendly substituting of Mrs. Irene Seel, a former Assistant Librarian, the Library was able to carry on while the change was being made.

The continued shortage of labor and of materials has prevented our always keeping the Library building as we would like. In these respects we have carried on with as little expenditure as possible. The Building and Grounds Committee is concerned about these matters; and as 1946 dawns with a better hope, the Board looks forward to repairs and renovation, both inside the building

and outside. Improved lighting is already under way. The Board hopes these needed improvements may be possible without depriving the community of the usual expenditure for books and periodicals, remembering that the primary purpose of a Library is books.

During the year 1945 we have added to the Library shelves some 455 volumes, 305 by purchase and the rest by various gifts. The chief donation was a gift of 67 books from Miss Mary Remick, for fourteen years a resident of Norton. Other appreciable collections came from Mrs. Hazel Gredler and David, Mr. Albert M. Dunham of Attleboro, the Ramseyer family, Mrs. Mabel Hunt, and Mrs. Margaret Pineo. Numerous other friends gave a book or two each. The Library appreciated the replacement gift from a Norton author, Mrs. Cora Jenks, of her novel *Buttermilk*, the first copy of which had been read to pieces.

The Library acknowledges other gifts. We were able to retain our usual quota of periodicals, now considerably advanced in price, through gifts of money or subscriptions from Mr. Stanley Wilkinson, Miss Henrietta Jennings, and Mrs. Hattie Pratt. Dr. and Mrs. E. W. Clark gave us a new subscription to Consumer Reports with its supplement, Bread and Butter. Mrs. Arnold Jenkins made a contribution toward buying children's books. Miss Henrietta Jennings presented a book-press, invaluable in book repair. The PTA voted \$5.00 to defray expense of borrowed State books: that is, for transportation and carriage. In the annual report of 1944 was a plea for a new flag. Shortly the flag was presented by Mr. W. C. S. Wood, a member of the Library Board from 1923 to 1936. It has been flown on patriotic occasions since. We have the Norton High School to thank for mimeographing, and Mr. Laurence Nourse for his services as Auditor.

It has not been practicable this year to make a complete inventory of the Library, but we are able to report that the Library has on its shelves 744 Junior books, of which 347 are found on the State Certificate Reading List as published from 1941 to date. The State lists include books suited for reading for six grades, 4-9. Many of the Library books are for younger children, and so not found on State lists; and books more appealing to High School students have

not been listed as children's books in the Library catalogue. The State Certificate List is not, of course, the only criterion of children's reading, but it has proved an incentive to many young readers. For this reason, the Library added during this year a loan from the State of 75 such books. Many of these were duplicates of books on our shelves, but the added number facilitated the circulation. As in former years, special hours were opened for students from all the Norton schools, from noon until three o'clock on Wednesdays. Previously, assistance during these crowded hours was given voluntarily by High School girls. This year, as noted in the report the Librarian, members of the PTA have given their services, proving valued helpers. As the year ends, other friends are beginning another useful service in the matter of book-repair. Children's books especially in this period of inferior paper and binding, wear out very rapidly; sometimes more rapidly than seems excusable; and the book mending contributes practically to extending the life of the book. One is tempted to make an appeal for greater care of Library books in circulation. In this, as in former years, about one book in three of Library purchase has been allocated to the Junior list. A pleasant feature emphasized by the librarians has been the group displays of books dealing with some interesting or opportune subject. These exhibits are frequently changed to draw attention to one field of reading or another.

The President attests with pleasure the willingness of Board members to give their time and energies to promoting the welfare of the Library.

CARO LYNN, *President*

Report of the Treasurer

January 1, 1946

Receipts

Cash on hand January 1, 1945	\$ 76.65
From Wheaton College	200.00
Interest from Permanent Funds	174.00
Final Dividend from U. S. Bond and Mortgage Liq. Corp.	4.64
Town of Norton, Appropriation	1,100.00

Gifts for Books and Magazines	15.00
Fines, from Librarian	13.61
Sale of Coal to B. Yelle	5.00
Proceeds from sale of books	1.75

\$1,590.65

Expenditures

Miss Gertrude Mott, Librarian	347.10
Miss Doris Durgin, Assistant Librarian	225.00
Mrs. Dorothea Robello, Acting Librarian	35.85
H. M. Leonard and sundry persons, Janitor Service	75.70
B. C. Trust Co., Box Rent and Service Charges	11.70
Norton Power and Electric Co.	18.80
Pierce Hardware Co.	.75
Helen Yelle, Postal Cards	3.00
Varney W. Mosher, Fire Insurance	156.20
Library Book House, Inc., Books	392.91
Southern Mass., Oil Corp., Oil and Service	145.06
Milton G. Perry, Furnace Repairs	23.08
William H. Russell, Lawn Mower Repairs	4.00
Filing Equipment Bureau, Inc., Supplies	3.95
Gaylord Brothers, Supplies	5.35
Petty Cash, paid Mrs. Robello	2.00
Williams Subscription Agency, Magazines	67.90
Balance on hand December 31, 1945	72.30

\$1,590.65

Report of the Acting-Librarian for 1945

Since September, Miss Gertrude Mott has been ill and unable to be at the Library. This is the report of the Acting-Librarian.

Circulation Figures, 1945

Fictions—7,829	Non-Fiction—1,620	Total—9,449
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Special work has been done with the children on Wednesday, the students' day. The Norton Parent Teachers Association appointed a committee of three, Mrs. Frank Ramseyer, (Chairman), Mrs. John

Quebman, and Mrs. Leif Eggers, to assist with the children's reading. Seventy-five books were borrowed from the State Department of Education, all on the Certificate Reading List. The P. T. A. Committee helps the children select books from the State reading list. Separate juvenile circulation figures have been kept for November and December. They are as follows:

Fiction—746	Non-Fiction—80	Total —829
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This committee has also made a complete juvenile register for the Acting-Librarian.

In closing, I wish to express grateful appreciation for the work of this P. T. A. Committee, who have contributed so much to the Library service.

MILK INSPECTOR'S REPORT FOR 1945

Number of Milk Licenses issued	25
Number of Oleomargarine Licenses issued	4
Milk Producer's Permits issued	5

The figures stated below were presented as estimated to the Milk Inspector. Most farmers were reluctant to answer, suggesting that they could not recall the figures given to the Tax Assessors and hence would not vouch for their accuracy since the Assessors had the accurate figures.

Number of cows	382
Number of bulls	6
Number of heifers	42
Quantity of Milk produced daily in Norton	3660 qts.

LEWIS S. RUBIN, *Inspector*

REPORT OF NORTON FIRE DISTRICT 1945

Jan. 1, 1945	Cash on hand	\$ 508.66	
Dec. 1945	Received from G. E. Smith, Coll.		
	Acct. Hydrant Tax	3,673.39	
			\$4,182.05

PAID OUT

Dec. 1945	For Hydrant rental to Town Treas.		
Mar. 1, '45-Sept. 1, '45		1,912.50	
	For Hydrant rental to Town Treas.,		
	Sept. 1, '45-Mar. 1, '46	1,912.50	
			3,825.00
	Bal. on hand Jan. 1, '46	357.05	
			\$4,182.05

W. C. S. WOOD, *Treasurer*

REPORT OF THE FIRE ENGINEERS

The Fire Engineers herewith respectfully submit their fifteenth annual report:

The Fire Department responded to 88 calls during 1945. The building where the ladder truck was housed has been remodeled into a factory. We moved this apparatus to Bottomley's Garage. Civilian defense fire apparatus has been offered for sale. We believe that the trailer pump, which with its equipment is priced at about \$500.00 should be purchased. An appropriation of \$2,000.00 was made last year to purchase a fire truck for Norton Grove. This has not been used.

The plan to use our O. C. D. skid pump as the pumping unit for this truck was dropped when the price of this pump was announced. We believe it to be a far better long term plan to pur-

chase a new 500 gal. pump and a new truck chassis. An additional appropriation will be required. We recommend it be appropriated at once.

The Fire Station at Norton Grove has been built, except for overhead doors. These will be installed when available. This is a fine station and with a 500 gal. pumping engine and large booster tank will provide good fire protection for that section for many years. This truck will also lie available to any part of the town.

The rapid growth and development of Norton in recent years causes many new fire hazards, as this growth continues the Fire Department must grow to meet these new hazards.

Incinerators cause many fires. A permit is necessary for an incinerator, or an open air fire at all times. Open air fires on dry, windy days of low humidity offer a serious fire hazard. It is during such days that disastrous, spreading fires, causing great loss of property and even life are most apt to occur.

Permits are never issued in such weather, and no open air fire or incinerator should ever be started.

Many volunteer firemen served their country in the armed forces. We heartily welcome these men back and feel they will be even more dependable and efficient as firemen.

The need of more firemen is still existent and any one really interested will be most welcome.

The Kilburn Glass Company, Sprague and Reynolds, D. & D. Plating, Sweet Paper Box Co., Norton Center Garage and Lane Brothers Laundry permit firemen employed there to answer alarms during the working hours. We extend our sincere thanks to these companies.

The Fire Station at Chartley is located on land not owned by the town. This land should be purchased at this time.

Soda-acid fire extinguishers are recharged for all townspeople at no cost.

We made the following recommendations in case of fire, also in cases of any form of asphyxia such as drowning, gas poisoning, and the many others:

1. First: call Attleboro 45 on telephone or call Norton telephone operator.
2. Second: give exact location and kind of fire, this is very important.
3. Third: call the Fire Department to all fires when first discovered regardless of size or kind.

The Highway, Water, Police, and School Departments and Norton Telephone Operators have been most co-operative, and have our sincere thanks.

The volunteer firemen do fine work in this dangerous profession. We sincerely thank these loyal men.

In conclusion may we express our deep appreciation for the fine support given our board and Fire Department.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD L. WETHERELL,

Chief of the Fire Department

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

	1944	1945
Total value of Real Estate	\$2,244,425.00	\$2,275,925.00
Total value of Personal Estate	211,650.00	210,100.00
Total appropriations to be raised by taxation		141,288.50
Total appropriations to be taken from available funds		29,987.00
State Tax		2,652.00
State Parks and Reservations		112.18
State Audit of Municipal Accounts		1,086.33
County Tax		4,794.33

Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	2,368.03
Overlay of current year	1,067.48

Gross amount to be raised	\$183,355.85
Estimated receipts and available funds	72,174.10
Available funds voted to reduce the tax rate	34,987.00
Net amount raised on Polls and Property	76,194.75

Total	\$183,355.85
Number of Polls assessed	807
Horses assessed	39
Cows assessed	384
Other meat cattle assessed	81
Swine assessed	147
Fowl assessed	20,531
Sheep assessed	16
All other animals assessed	38
Number of dwellings assessed	1,021
Rate per \$1,000.00	\$30.00

EXCISE TAX

Number of Automobiles assessed	1,141
Assessed value	\$96,120.00
Total excise tax	3,275.72
State Rate per \$1,000.00	35.60

NORTON FIRE DISTRICT

Assessed value of Real Estate	\$1,381,475.00
Assessed value of Personal Estate	120,625.00
Rate per \$1,000.00	2.40

Respectfully submitted,

LEONARD A. WITHERELL

WILLIAM E. FALES

PERCY L. HINDS

Board of Assessors

TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

During the year 1945 the big problem for the Department was to find a new supply of water. We have driven about sixty wells and in nearly all cases we have struck ledge. The one good well was located on Leonard Street but was not approved by the State on account of too much iron. We now have another well off North Washington Street that will be tested as soon as the weather will permit.

The three new extensions were delayed by strikes and we were unable to obtain materials but they will all have been installed by the time you read this report.

Most of the citizens are beginning to realize that if they had town water their insurance would be lower and nearly all of them desire this service.

The following is a report of the operating expenses for the year:

Expenses of maintaining the Department	\$ 8,800.87
Payment of Water Loan Principal	4,000.00
Interest on Water Loan	1,402.50
Total costs	\$14,203.37
Total commitments for the year 1945	\$17,382.13
Total collections for the year 1945	17,606.48
Outstanding December 31, 1945	2,216.60

The outstanding bills since 1935 have been reduced by \$10,501.74.

The Commissioners welcome any suggestions that may improve the service or cut the cost without impairing the system.

Respectfully submitted,

BERTRAM F. FALES
LEONARD A. WITHERELL
CARLETON H. DRAPER

Water Commissioners

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

The Board of Public Welfare of the Town of Norton herewith submit the following report:

GENERAL RELIEF

During the year 1945 there were twenty-one (21) cases aided, representing forty-two (42) persons. Thirteen (13) cases being the largest number of cases aided in any one month. Twenty-one (21) persons being the largest number of persons aided in any one month.

Fifteen (15) cases aided were Norton settled cases.

Three (3) cases aided were unsettled (State) cases.

Three (3) cases aided were cases with settlement in other city or town.

There were eight (8) cases that received hospitalization, and one (1) Rest Home case.

All general relief cases are visited frequently and plans for treatment made.

Due to employment conditions we have not had many new applications, except in cases of illness, hospitalization and case of desertion.

The twenty-one (21) cases being aided are tabulated below with reasons for eligibility:

Two (2) cases physically unfit for work, crippled.

Three (3) cases—in age group for O. A. R.—ineligible—not a citizen, also physically unfit for work.

One (1) case—child being board in private family, whereabouts of parents unknown.

One (1) case—child being boarded under Division of Child Guardianship.

Four (4) cases—Unemployment, due to illness.

Five (5) cases—Old Pondville Hospital cases.

One (1) case—board and care State Infirmary.

One (1) case—Husband deserted.

Two (2) cases—Burials.

One (1) case—Family being aided, parent in Institution.

The following tabulation will give the number of cases aided each month:

	cases	persons		cases	persons
January	9	14	July	8	12
February	9	14	August	7	10
March	7	9	September	9	11
April	8	11	October	9	12
May	8	11	November	9	11
June	13	16	December	10	21

Of the twenty-one (21) cases aided during the year, fourteen (14) cases were closed. The following tabulation will give the number of cases closed and reasons for closing:

One (1)—Transferred to Aid to Dependent Children.

Two (2)—To care of self.

Two (2)—Resumed private employment after illness.

Five (5)—By death.

One (1)—To care of relatives.

Two (2)—Transferred to Old Age Assistance.

One (1)—To State Institution.

The bills for the Welfare Department to the State and to other Cities and Towns were sent in July and December 1945 for the amount of \$1,976.77.

We do not anticipate any unusual increase in General Relief for 1946, however, illness and hospitalization and broken homes cannot be foreseen, and must be taken care of when the need arises.

The total expenditure for Welfare for 1945 was \$3,776.69. Out of this amount the sum of \$589.66 was paid to other cities and towns for cases with settlement in Norton. The sum of \$801.07 was paid out for State cases. The sum of \$256.55 was paid out for outside city and town cases, living in Norton. The sum of \$2,129.41 was paid out for cases with settlement in Norton.

Summary of Welfare Costs for Four Year Period

	1942	1943	1944	1945
Expenditures	\$4,839.30	\$3,295.17	\$3,174.17	\$3,776.69
Receipts	961.02	1,066.78	352.59	892.37
Actual Costs	<u>\$3,878.28</u>	<u>\$2,228.39</u>	<u>\$2,821.58</u>	<u>\$2,884.32</u>
Welfare				

There was actually an over-draft on Welfare as receipts from other cities and towns cannot be used by the Department, they are Treasurer's Receipts. Over-draft due to unforeseen cases of illness, not included in budget, and ten month Rest Home case.

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

During the year 1945 there were three (3) Aid to Dependent Children cases aided, representing thirteen (13) children.

There was one application for Aid to Dependent Children—approved.

There was one case closed for the following reason:

Deserted husband returned, family reunited.

There are no Aid to Dependent Children applications pending and we do not anticipate any unusual increase in case-load for the year 1946.

The tabulation will give the number of cases aided each month and number of children represented.

	cases	persons		cases	persons
January	2	8	July	3	13
February	3	11	August	3	13

March	3	11	September	3	13
April	3	11	October	3	13
May	3	11	November	3	13
June	3	11	December	2	10

Visits have been made on all Aid to Dependent Children cases.

Resources have been checked; school, health, dental, eyes and ears have been checked. Dental work has been attended to when needed; glasses have been furnished when necessary. Special medical treatment has been given when necessary, also hospitalization.

There were three (3) hospital cases during the year 1945.

The total expenditures for Aid to Dependent Children for 1945 was \$2,902.81.

SUMMARY OF AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN COSTS FOR FOUR YEAR PERIOD

	1942	1943	1944	1945
Expenditures	\$2,917.00	\$2,395.19	\$2,026.45	\$2,902.81
Receipts	2,505.17	2,423.25	1,155.71	1,627.13
Actual Costs A. D. C.	\$ 411.83	none	\$ 870.74	\$1,275.68

There was actually an over-draft on A. D. C. as we do not have use of receipts from o. c. t. or State, only from the Federal Government. Over-draft was due to new case added, not figured in 1945 budget.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

During the year 1945 there were seventy-seven (77) cases aided during the year; sixty-nine (69) cases being the largest number of cases in any one month.

Sixty-three (63) cases aided were Norton settled cases.

Nine (9) cases aided were unsettled (State) cases.

Five (5) cases aided were cases settled in other cities and towns.

There were thirteen (13) applications for Old Age Assistance during the year 1945. Ten (10) applications were approved; Three (3) applications were rejected. (Two cases—children able to support and One case ineligible, not of age.)

There were seven (7) hospital cases and three (3) Rest Homes cases.

The following tabulation will give the number of cases aided each month:

January	67	July	64
February	66	August	63
March	65	September	61
April	69	October	62
May	68	November	63
June	69	December	63

Of the seventy-seven (77) cases aided during the year, fourteen (14) cases were closed, the following tabulation will give the number of cases closed during the year and reasons for closing:

Six (6)—Deceased. Five (5)—Moved to other city or town. One (1)—Became ineligible due to sufficient funds. One (1)—Became ineligible due to relatives willing and able to support. One (1)—Committee to Institution.

During the year there were twenty-eight (28) Increases granted for the following reasons:

16—Budgetary Needs. 1—Hospital. 2—Rest Home. 9—Medical.

During 1945 there were six (6) Decreases for the following reasons:

1—Returned from Hospital. 1—Returned from Rest Home. 1—Received Old Age Survivor's Insurance. 1—Living with Relative. 1—Other Income. 1—Resumed Health.

Each Old Age Assistance case has been visited in accordance with regulations.

Bills for Old Age Assistance cases to other cities and towns were billed in July and December 1945, for the amount of \$246.84.

The total expenditures for Old Age Assistance for 1945 was \$28,878.68.

Amount paid for State cases was \$2,977.25.

Amount paid for other cities and town cases, living in Norton \$1,453.00.

Amount paid for cases with settlement in Norton \$23,805.26.

Amount paid to other cities and towns, for cases with settlement in Norton \$643.17.

Summary of Old Age Assistance Costs for Four Year Period

	1942	1943	1944	1945
Expenditures	\$32,825.12	\$31,609.47	\$31,608.75	\$28,878.68
Receipts	27,733.42	27,749.47	23,640.75	26,295.05
Actual Costs	\$ 5,091.70	\$ 3,860.00	\$ 7,968.00	\$ 2,583.63
O. A. A.				

The Board of Public Welfare meets the Friday preceding the First Monday of each month, and Wednesday preceding the third Thursday of each month, at 7:30 P. M. at the Town Hall.

During January and perhaps until the first of April, when the weather is milder, Mrs. Rosequist will maintain office hours in her home, and may be reached by telephone number 87, unless working outside on re-visits or investigations.

Effective January 1st, 1946 the Old Age Assistance Law will be changed relative to amount required of children toward supporting parents. In many cases children are exempt under the new law.

Another ruling under this change is that all Old Age Assistance recipients may have physician of own choice, however, this

does not effect Town of Norton in any way, as it has always been the ruling on Old Age Assistance and Aid to Dependent Children cases, that they may have physician of their own choice. However, in some cities and towns where they have had Town Physicians it is going to make quite a vast change.

There are several bills before the House relative to making changes in the Old Age Assistance Law, and if they are accepted there will be a great many changes in the present Law.

We wish to thank the Town Officials, the Chief of Police, Agent of M. S. P. C. C., Visiting Nurse and Visiting Nurse Association, the Red Cross, House In The Pines, Wheaton College, and residents of Norton who have assisted the Department in any way. Your co-operation and benevolence is appreciated.

We wish to thank Mrs. Rosequist for her continued co-operation at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

LESTER M. JOHNSON

MABEL A. RICHMOND

BERNARD CABISIUS, *Chairman*
Board of Public Welfare

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Lester M. Johnson	Term Expires 1948
Bernard A. Cabisius	Term Expires 1946
Mabel A. Richmond	Term Expires 1947
Alice M. Rosequist, <i>Agent</i>	

FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1945

DISBURSEMENTS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT—SALARIES

Moderator:		
Samuel Thomas	\$	25.00
Selectmen:		
John B. Scott	\$200.00	
John G. Adair	200.00	
William J. Tucker	200.00	
		600.00
Board of Public Welfare:		
Bernard Cabisius	\$150.00	
Lester M. Johnson	150.00	
Mabel A. Richmond	150.00	
		450.00
Treasurer:		
George E. Smith		600.00
Collector:		
George E. Smith		800.00
Accountant:		
Arthur M. Freeman		600.00
Assessors:		
Leonard A. Witherell	\$500.00	
William E. Fales	500.00	
Percy L. Hinds	500.00	
		1,500.00
Town Clerk:		
George E. Smith		200.00
Total		\$4,775.00

SELECTMEN'S EXPENSES

William J. Tucker, Clerk	\$75.00
Attleboro Print, Stationery	12.00

Hobbs & Warren, Forms	5.90
Sun Publishing Co., Advertisements	4.35
Taunton Daily Gazette, Advertisements	3.64
Commissioner of Public Safety, Forms	.50
John B. Scott, Expenses	42.35
John G. Adair, Expenses	49.80
William J. Tucker, Expenses	69.83
Bristol County Selectmen's Ass'n, Dues	9.00
Total	\$272.37

TREASURER'S EXPENSES

Doris Durgin, Clerical Work	\$352.50
Irene H. Seel, Treasurer's Bond	63.00
Irene H. Seel, Burglary Insurance	77.50
Registry of Deeds, Recording	53.72
Attleboro Print, Stationery	49.57
Post Office, Stamps	66.00
Grant's, Supplies	6.62
Hobbs & Warren, Forms	2.51
First National Bank, Check Books	10.14
George E. Smith, Expenses	75.11
George E. Smith, Office Rent	50.00
Mass. Coll. & Treas. Ass'n, Dues	1.00
Total	\$807.67

COLLECTOR'S EXPENSES

Doris Durgin, Clerical Work	\$457.50
Irene H. Seel, Collector's Bond	90.00
Registry of Deeds, Recording	17.18
Post Office, Stamps	201.00
Robinson Seal Co., Tax Bills, Cash Books & Forms	83.90
Sun Publishing Co., Advertising	20.85
W. A. Potter, Deputy, Investigations	30.00
Attleboro Print, Stationery	19.35
Sullivan's Office Supply Co., Office Supplies & Repairs	19.56

Hobbs & Warren, Forms	5.74
M. M. Mondor, Notarizing	4.25
Massachusetts Coll. & Treas. Ass'n, Dues	1.00
George E. Smith, Office Rent	50.00
George E. Smith, Fees	56.95
George E. Smith, Expenses	29.52
Total	\$1,086.80

ACCOUNTANT'S EXPENSES

Attleboro Print, Printing	\$ 5.88
Doris Durgin, Typing, etc.	25.00
Comm. of Mass., Forms	15.23
Arthur M. Freeman, Expenses	74.10
Total	\$120.21

ASSESSORS' EXPENSES

M. M. Miller, Transfer Cards	\$ 56.53
Ione E. Gifford, Probate Records	4.40
Davol Printing House, Printing	15.00
Hobbs & Warren, Forms	12.71
Drummond Printing Co., Stationery	4.75
L. A. Witherell, Expenses	96.91
W. E. Fales, Expenses	111.09
P. L. Hinds, Expenses	98.23
Total	\$399.62

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Registrars:

Homer L. Lane	\$ 40.00
Albert F. Woodward	40.00
Elwin Nason	40.00
George E. Smith, Clerk	50.00
Ole G. Seel, Listing	190.14
Helen M. Reynolds, Taking Census	90.00

Ann R. Draper, Taking Census	55.80
Arlene Plunkett, Taking Census	35.00
Fred Thornton, Taking Census	5.00
Sundry Persons, Tellers	30.00
Doris Durgin, Typing	5.00
Senior Class, Norton High School, Typing	12.00
Davol Printing House, Ballots	30.00
Robinson Seal Co., Forms	22.12
Sun Publishing Co., Advertising	16.00
Total	\$661.06

LEGAL EXPENSES

Swift & Swift, Services	\$147.00
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TOWN HALL

Stephen Benaski, Janitor	\$300.00
W. R. Scott, Janitor	63.50
Norton Power & Electric Co., Light	38.65
Herbert Jennings, Repairs	36.61
L. S. Reinhard, Wood	35.00
Woodward Bros., Kindling	16.00
Brownell Mill Supply Co., Brush	8.50
Wm. F. Flynn & Son, Supplies	13.91
J. C. Pratt, Supplies	6.29
Wm. Owen, Repairs	8.00
N. C. Moxon, Repair Piano	8.00
M. G. Perry, Repairs	5.50
Norton Power & Electric Co., Bulbs	1.74
Total	\$541.70

POLICE

Services:

B. B. Scanlon, Salary and Expenses	\$2,536.00
Edward Bartley	106.60
Carleton H. Draper	85.00

Ralph Clapp	20.00
George Charette	9.25
Antonio Marshall	4.00
Edward B. Allen	42.00
Mrs. Mary L. Pickett	5.25
Other Expenses:	
E. W. Clarke, M.D.	10.00
Wm. F. Flynn & Sons, Flashlight Batteries	5.00
B. B. Scanlon, Telephone, Dues, etc.	103.48
Total	\$2,926.58

FIRE

Salaries & Wages:	
Harold L. Wetherell, Chief	\$2,080.00
Volunteer Firemen	417.50
Harry Hewins, Clerk	25.00
Other Expenses:	
Norton Power & Electric Co.	51.90
N. E. Telephone, Telegraph Co.	105.95
Myron T. Briggs, Rent	20.00
Sturdy Bros., Rent of Land	18.75
Chase & Sinclair Mfg. Co., Rent of Land	6.25
Foster's Garage, Rent	60.00
Mrs. J. A. Bottomley, Rent	35.00
Edgar M. Holmes Agency, Insurance	5.00
Alton H. Foster, Overhauling Siren	58.65
George C. Dean, Install Windshield	21.50
Foster's Garage, Pump	125.00
Eureka Fire Hose Division, Hose & Supplies	423.40
Norton Center Garage, Gasoline, Repairs, etc.	103.43
Sears Roebuck & Co., Supplies	57.69
Gorham Fire Equipment Co., Nozzle	27.46
E. J. Roberts, Gasoline	32.07
W. S. Darley Co., Supplies	14.74
C. J. Drane, Gasoline	11.19
American LaFrance—Foamite Co., Supplies	12.29

Foster's Garage, Gasoline, etc.	12.90
Reynolds Electric Co., Repairs	10.20
Miscellaneous	33.56

Total	\$3,769.43
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SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES

Robinson Seal Co., Supplies	\$ 3.55
Lewis S. Rubin, Services & Expenses	136.30

Total	\$139.85
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TREE WARDEN

Salaries & Wages:

A. S. Lincoln	\$ 58.65
Roland Sweet	28.80
Raymond Bilodeau	14.50

Other Expenses:

A. Pelletier & Truck	9.00
Roland Sweet & Truck	11.25
State Tree Expert Co., Removing Trees, etc.	64.70
L. S. Reinhard, Work on Trees	30.00
Norton Center Garage, Gasoline	2.73

Total	\$219.63
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FOREST FIRES

Sundry Persons, Fighting Fires	\$499.50
Norton Center Garage, Storage, etc.	39.50

Total	\$539.00
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MOTH

Labor:

A. S. Lincoln	\$105.40
Roland Sweet	122.20

Raymond Bilodeau	39.00
Eugene Pike	33.15
Percy Hatch	9.10
Other Expenses:	
Pierce Hardware Co., Arsenate of Lead	172.80
Norton Center Garage, Repairs, Gasoline, etc.	76.23
Miscellaneous	13.70
Total	\$571.58

REFORESTATION

Joseph Gefis, Labor	\$66.95
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TOWN FARM REPAIRS

Walter C. Rudd, Painting	\$320.00
Miscellaneous Repairs	20.00
Total	\$340.00

DOG OFFICER

Stephen Benaski, Salary	\$ 25.00
Stephen Benaski, Fees	88.00
Total	\$113.00

BOARD OF HEALTH

Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital, Board & Care	\$181.50
Massachusetts Memorial Hospital, Board & Care	108.79
Alphee Pelletier, Inspector of Slaughtering	100.00
Alphee Pelletier, Inspector of Animals	100.00
Lewis Rubin, Milk Inspector	50.00
E. W. Clarke, M.D., Services	130.00
B. B. Scanlon, Transportation	40.00
C. A. Baker, Serum	4.15
Total	\$714.44

BRISTOL COUNTY TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

County Treasurer	\$2,368.03
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SCHOOL NURSE

Norton District Nursing Association, Services	\$900.00
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HIGHWAYS—CHAPTER 81

Labor:

L. A. Foster	\$1,663.20	
Lester Holmes	911.33	
Eugene M. Pike	702.65	
Ernest M. Leonard	566.80	
Wallace S. Casey	26.60	
Kenneth Greenwood	104.00	
Joseph Fitzgerald	56.40	
Ernest Sweet	3.90	
Howard Baker	245.05	
Noah White	46.80	
Joseph Teixeira	10.40	
George Gonsalves	41.60	
Donald Thibeault	11.05	
		\$4,389.78

Rental of Trucks & Equipment:

McCabe Sand & Gravel Co.	\$99.88	
Town of Norton, Equipment Fund	1,135.95	
		1,235.83

Gravel, Sand, etc.:

George E. Mandigo	\$1,655.20	
McCabe Sand & Gravel Co.	763.00	
Harold H. Vickery	503.50	
Ralph E. Vickery	385.00	
Mack Construction Co.	131.11	
W. E. Fales	7.20	
		3,445.01

Other Road Material:

Independent Coal Tar Co.	\$1,864.31	
Koppers Company	1,854.64	
Warren Bros. Roads Co.	15.20	
		3,734.15

Miscellaneous:

State Prison, Signs	\$28.25	
M. F. Ashley & Co., Supplies	3.98	
		32.23

Total		\$12,837.00
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HIGHWAY—CHAPTER 90—MAINTENANCE

Labor:

L. A. Foster	\$71.40	
Lester Holmes	36.40	
Ernest M. Leonard	44.20	
Eugene M. Pike	44.20	
		\$196.20

Town of Norton, Equipment Fund	54.00
Koppers Co., Road Material	822.05
George E. Mandigo, Sand	220.00
W. C. S. Wood, Supplies	5.60

Total	\$1,297.85
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BRIDGES AND EQUIPMENT

Labor:

L. A. Foster	\$211.70
Lester Holmes	105.65
Ernest M. Leonard	48.10
Alec Rich	6.50
Eugene M. Pike	83.53
Harry Salley	6.50
Joseph Fitzgerald	13.00
Howard Baker	32.50
Patrick Devlin	19.50

Noah White	23.40	
George Gonsalves	39.00	
Fred McHugh	23.40	
Donald Thibeault	15.60	
		\$628.38

Other Expenses:

Mansfield Lumber Co., Lumber & Supplies	\$2,039.29	
L. Grossman & Sons, Lumber	204.86	
McCabe Sand & Gravel, Concrete	81.00	
Alec Rich, Welding	35.00	
Wm. F. Flynn & Sons, Supplies	29.92	
M. F. Ellis & Co., Lanterns	18.13	
Town of Norton, Equipment Fund	27.00	
Miscellaneous	24.38	
		2,459.58
Total		\$3,087.96

SNOW REMOVAL

Labor:

L. A. Foster	\$506.10	
Lester Holmes	401.23	
Richard Owen	12.03	
Ernest M. Leonard	137.15	
Alec Rich	40.30	
Carl Spatcher	2.80	
Wallace S. Casey	46.90	
Roy Stearns	13.65	
Ralph Bowser	5.85	
Eugene M. Pike	179.40	
Kenneth Greenwood	48.75	
Joseph Fitzgerald	86.10	
Howard Baker	94.90	
Noah White	193.05	
Fred McHugh	145.93	
Oscar Courchesne	5.20	
		\$1,919.34

Trucks:

B. F. Fales	\$1,548.05	
W. E. Fales	1,215.00	
D. Runge	94.50	
Foster's Garage	48.00	
Melvin Dorrance	36.00	
		2,941.55

Other Expenses:

Foster's Garage, Repairs to Plow	55.50	
Chicken Coop, Meals	41.52	
Anderson Engineering Co., Parts	43.20	
M. F. Ellis, Shovels	17.15	
H. Leroux, Meals	11.40	
Town of Norton, Equipment Fund	1,074.65	
		1,243.42
Total		\$6,104.31

STREET LIGHTS

Norton Power & Electric Co.	\$1,952.37
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EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT

Labor:

L. A. Foster	\$159.60	
Lester Holmes	70.80	
Ernest M. Leonard	10.40	
Eugene M. Pike	10.40	
Kenneth Greenwood	5.20	
Howard Baker	19.50	
Noah White	39.00	
Fred McHugh	18.20	
		\$333.10

Other Expenses:

Norton Center Garage,	
Gasoline, Tires, Supplies, etc.	\$986.11
Foster's Garage, Repairs	197.79
Mackenzie Motor Sales	
Motor Assembly & Parts	177.35

Fisk, Alden Co., Parts	101.75	
Perkins, Eaton Co., Parts, etc.	133.39	
M. F. Ellis & Co., Supplies	133.39	
Jas. W. Miner, Repairs	70.00	
Chas. A. Grant, Repairs	50.50	
Pratt Equipment Co., Brooms	29.15	
Registry of Motor Vehicles		
Registrations	29.50	
Socony-Vacuum Oil Co., Oil	39.93	
Clyde Everett Equipment Co., Parts	27.83	
C. M. Monroe, Parts	20.00	
N. E. Telephone & Telegraph Co. Service	54.11	
Pierce Hardware Co., Supplies	32.20	
Tractors Inc., Parts	24.00	
Wm. F. Flynn & Son, Supplies	12.47	
Harold Wetherell, Paint	10.95	
M. F. Ashley Co., Supplies	10.60	
Dance Co., Parts	10.50	
Miscellaneous	44.93	
		2,199.12
Total		\$2,532.22

EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT—NEW EQUIPMENT

Mrs. Florence E. Taylor, 1930 Buick	\$125.00
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REPAIRS—TOWN GARAGE

Irving L. Dorr, Repairs	\$250.00
McCabe Sand & Gravel Co., Concrete	36.00
Wm. F. Fynn & Son, Supplies	7.64
J. C. Pratt, Tar Paper	4.05
Total	\$297.69

SCHOOLS

Superintendent:	
L. G. Nourse, Salary & Travel Allowance	\$2,600.00

Teachers' Salaries:

Charles S. Randall	\$2,800.00
Loretta McHugh	2,147.50
Helen Yelle	1,850.00
William Mahoney	1,880.00
Jean Findlater	1,800.00
Alta Estabrook	1,770.00
Charlotte Harnden	1,720.00
Esther Bradstreet	1,596.50
Elizabeth Raymond	1,570.00
Dorothy Russell	1,570.00
Mildred Greene	1,530.00
Marie Gargan	1,513.50
Margaret Mahoney	1,500.00
Lucille Zwicker	1,450.75
Mildred Wetherell	1,440.00
Lottie Perry	940.00
Gloria M. Piersall	940.00
Rosmary Durant	820.00
Phyllis R. Powell	820.00
Esther Spencer	738.32
Anastasia S. Covell	660.00
Anne M. Gallagher	580.00
Lorraine F. Porter	580.00
Natalie A. Alger	580.00
Alice Illingworth	530.00
Rowena Rice	530.00
Eleanor Clapp	428.75
Nahum P. Gillespie	370.00
Louisa B. Speier	370.00
Helen L. Doherty	300.00
Henry Yelle	256.00
Mary Larkin	236.58
Ruth S. Potter	175.00
Dorothea Robello	110.00
Marjorie Foster	82.50
Marion Fales	62.50
Lois Baker	33.50

Lena F. Powers	33.00	
Nelle Byrd	27.00	
Mrs. Alfred Krall	21.00	
		36,362.40
Books		1,475.37
Educational Supplies		1,260.16
Tuition:		
Weymouth Vocational School	\$197.92	
City of Attleboro	171.36	
City of Taunton	86.19	
		455.47
Transportation:		
Walter Barrows	\$3,311.00	
Carleton Draper	1,925.00	
H. W. Honey	1,620.00	
		6,856.00
Janitors' Services:		
John Helpard	\$1,929.00	
Fred Keene	1,201.00	
Eugene Courchesne	1,149.00	
		4,279.00
Fuel and Light:		
Attleboro Coal Co.	\$1,907.02	
Norton Power & Electric Co.	357.35	
Taunton Gas Light Co.	80.51	
Miscellaneous	11.50	
		2,356.38
Maintenance & Repairs:		
L. M. Wetherell & Sons	544.05	
C. S. Randall	331.00	
M. G. Perry	221.90	
M. F. Ellis & Co.	156.81	
Leo Yelle	150.00	
M. F. Ashley & Co.	125.91	
John L. Schora	114.50	
Eugene Courchesne	86.75	
Ralph F. Bass, Inc.	74.31	

Mystic Waste Co.	66.64
Wm. F. Flynn & Sons	55.60
Brulin & Co.	52.97
H. L. Wetherell	44.35
Brownell Mill Supply Co.	42.14
Provex Co.	40.00
Miscellaneous	365.84

 2,472.77

New Equipment:

Visual Education Service	\$187.67
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	61.11
Treasurer of the United States	45.00
Miscellaneous	28.91

 322.69

Miscellaneous:

L. G. Nourse, Clerk of School Committee	25.00
Helen M. Rihm, Clerical Services	347.00
Frances A. Rich, Clerical Services	196.50
C. H. Draper, Truant Officer	12.00
Post Office, Envelopes	65.44
N. E. Telephone & Telegraph Co., Service	233.11
L. G. Nourse, Traveling Expenses	64.22
Expenses, Professional Courses:	
William Mahoney	100.00
Anastasia Covell	50.00
Dorothy Russell	50.00
Loretta McHugh	50.00
Massachusetts Audubon Society,	
Nature Course	90.00
Teachers' Retirement Fund, Payment for	
Teachers in Military Service	117.50
Mark R. Shibbes, Graduation Address	25.00
Dr. C. E. Drake, Graduation Address	25.00
L. G. Balfour Co., Diplomas	29.67
Dorothy S. Clarke, Pianist at Graduation	15.00
American Legion, Rent	350.00

E. W. Clark, School Physician	200.00	
Miscellaneous	142.58	
		2,178.02
Total		\$60,618.26

Note: \$722.43 of the salary of Charlotte S. Harnden, included in the above total, was charged to the George-Dean Fund.

PUBLIC WELFARE—ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Alice M. Rosequist, Salary	\$1,680.00
Alice M. Rosequist, Expenses	276.87
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Service	40.46
R. W. Fales, Oil	34.10
Boston Council of Social Agencies, Dues	10.50
M. G. Perry, Repairs	9.50
Miscellaneous	9.20
Total	\$2,060.63

Note: The above total was charged to the following accounts:

Town Appropriation	\$1,610.63
Federal Grant—	
O.A.A. Administration	400.00
Federal Grant—	
A.D.C. Administration	50.00
Total	\$2,060.63

PUBLIC WELFARE

Cash Aid:	
Sundry Persons	\$618.00
Groceries:	
M. O. Alger	\$60.00
Fernandes Market	14.00
Bliss Bros. Dairy	7.04
	81.04

Board and Care:		
Sundry Persons		1,230.00
Medicine and Medical Attendance:		
E. W. Clarke	\$444.00	
Morton Hospital	83.25	
H. E. Pierce	18.50	
Miscellaneous	34.09	
		579.84
State Institutions:		
Division of Child Guardianship		365.00
Other Cities & Towns:		
Town of Berkley	\$425.00	
City of Attleboro	98.00	
City of Waltham	56.60	
City of Brockton	10.06	
		589.66
Other Expenses:		
Willis M. Dagen, Funeral	\$100.00	
Stephen H. Foley, Funeral	100.00	
Goodnow's Clothing	34.95	
A. Saltzman's & Sons, Clothing	14.54	
E. A. Thomas & Co., Clothing	11.32	
W. C. S. Wood, Coal	16.50	
Miscellaneous	35.84	
		313.15
Total		\$3,776.69

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Sundry Persons, Cash Aid	\$2,902.81
Note: Of the above total \$2,002.81 was charged to the Town Appropriation, and the balance, \$900.00 to the Federal Grant.	

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Sundry Persons, Cash Aid	\$28,296.18
Reimbursement to Other Cities & Towns:	
City of Attleboro	\$306.89

City of Brockton	117.90	
City of Somerville	60.00	
City of Taunton	50.84	
City of Revere	26.50	
Town of Freetown	14.13	
Town of Hingham	6.24	
		582.50
Total		\$28,878.68

Note: Of the above total, \$15,878.68 was charged to the Town Appropriation, and the balance, \$13,000.00, to the Federal Grant.

SOLDIERS' RELIEF

Sundry Persons, Cash Aid	\$260.00
E. W. Clarke, Services	138.00
Morton Hospital, Board & Care	158.99
Town of Mansfield, Ambulance Service	34.50
Massachusetts Memorial Hospital, Board & Care	28.00
M. S. Lawrence, Coal	14.00
Sturdy Memorial Hospital, X-Ray	10.00
Total	\$643.49

LIBRARY

Norton Public Library	\$1,100.00
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CARE OF COMMON

Labor:

L. A. Foster	\$12.60	
L. C. Foster	19.20	
Barbara Foster	19.20	
Eugene M. Pike	5.20	
Ernest M. Leonard	5.20	
		\$61.40

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Wm. H. Russell, Sharpening mower	4.50
Foster's Garage, Welding fence	1.50
Total	\$67.40

MEMORIAL DAY

Attleboro Post, American Legion, Drum & Bugle Corps	\$50.00
Boston Store, Flags	42.90
C. A. Bruce, Flowers	12.00
American Legion, Auxiliary, Refreshments	6.50
Total	\$111.40

TOWN REPORTS

C. A. Hack & Son, Printing	\$918.50
Sundry Persons, Distributing	30.00
Total	\$948.50

INSURANCE

Edgar M. Holmes Agency	\$1,389.38
Ora A. Andrews	924.17
Travelers Insurance Co.	129.80
Total	\$2,443.35

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

N. E. Tel. Tel. Co., Service	\$3.74
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CEMETERIES

Labor:	
F. W. Hatch	\$606.65
Edward Gwilliam	340.60
John McFarland	142.59
Miscellaneous	34.10
	\$1,123.94

Other Expenses:

N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Service	14.34
Francis Titus, Mowing	24.00
Harry Salley, Mowing	12.00
Pierce Hardware Co., Repairs	16.55
Wm. H. Russell, Sharpening mowers	14.50
Miscellaneous	27.87

Total	\$1,233.20
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Note: \$499.00 of the above total was charged to the Town Appropriations, and the balance to the Cemetery Funds.

INTEREST

Old Colony Trust Co., Water Loan	\$1,402.50
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DEBT

Old Colony Trust Co., Water Loan	\$4,000.00
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WATER

Administrative Expenses:

Leonard A. Witherell, Clerk	\$300.00
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Service	91.33
Davol Printing House, Printing	36.07
Miscellaneous	7.00
	\$434.40

Labor:

Fred Miller	\$2,600.00
Carleton Draper	570.00
Henry Petecki	360.00
Manuel Aguiar	270.00
Joseph Teixeira	209.00
T. Dobson	72.00
Antonio Teixeira	42.75
Claude Miller	24.00
Clarence Rich	61.50

James Newcomb	15.00	
Miscellaneous	14.25	
		4,238.50

Other Expenses:

Norton Power & Electric Co., Power	\$2,590.05	
R. W. Fales, Oil	120.93	
Norton Center Garage, Gasoline, Repairs etc.	341.60	
David Winter, Repairs	221.75	
George A. Caldwell Co., Fittings, Supplies, etc.	204.59	
E. L. LeBaron Foundry Co., Tees and Gate Boxes	132.17	
Foxboro Co., Repairs	107.80	
U. S. Pipe & Foundry Co., Pipe	44.64	
Red Hed Mfg. Co., Repairs	22.00	
Wm. F. Flynn & Son, Supplies	41.04	
H. R. Prescott & Sons, Supplies	26.75	
Socony Vacuum Oil Co., Grease & Oil	31.03	
Edson Corporation, Supplies	22.68	
Nason Oil Co., Tank	24.00	
F. W. Brown, Repairs to Meter	26.80	
Pierce Hardware Co., Supplies	18.49	
M. F. Ellis & Co., Supplies	17.64	
Warren Pipe Co., Pipe	62.24	
Miscellaneous	79.49	
		4,135.69
Total		\$8,808.59

WATER EXTENSION—WASHINGTON ST.

Johns-Manville Sales Corp., Pipe	\$2,195.38	
Cambridge Machine & Valve, Inc., Hydrants	340.00	
Eureka Pipe Co., Inc., Pipe & Fittings	243.95	
Total		\$2,779.33

WATER EXTENSION—SOUTH WORCESTER STREET

Cambridge Machine & Valve, Inc., Hydrants	\$255.00
Gilbert E. Salley, Truck & Driver	18.00
Antonio Teixeira, Labor	6.00
Total	\$279.00

WATER EXTENSION—BARROWS STREET

Johns-Manville Sales Corp., Pipe	\$2,129.69
Eureka Pipe Co., Pipe & Fittings	399.34
Walworth Co., Valves	168.78
E. L. LeBaron Foundry Co., Gate Boxes	90.23
Cambridge Machine & Valve, Inc., Hydrants	255.00
Corcoran Supply Co., Lead	46.55
T. Salley, Truck & Driver	21.00
Miscellaneous	21.43
Total	\$3,132.02

WATER—ADDITIONAL SUPPLY

D. L. Maher Co.	\$1,971.00
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STATE AND COUNTY TAXES

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

State Tax	\$2,652.00	
State Parks Tax	84.27	
State Audit Tax	1,086.33	
		\$3,822.60
County of Bristol, County Tax		4,905.94
Total		\$8,728.54

DOG LICENSES

County of Bristol	\$821.20
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FIRE DISTRICT TAXES

W. C. S. Wood, Treasurer	\$3,673.39
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PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

George E. Smith, Treasurer	\$1,300.00
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REFUNDS

Real & Personal Taxes	\$68.30
Poll Taxes	2.00
Motor Vehicle Excise	5.86
Fire District Taxes	4.20
Totals	\$80.36

WITHHOLDING TAXES

Collector of Internal Revenue	\$6,760.52
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POST-WAR REHABILITATION FUND

U. S. Treasury Certificates	\$5,000.00
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TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$203,419.21
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HICKS RESERVE FUND**Dr.**

Income from investments	\$ 5,344.12
Premium and interest on bonds called	293.75
Gross income	\$ 5,637.87

Cr.

Treasurers Bond	\$ 150.00
Safe Dep. Box rental	12.00

Accrued int. on securities purchased	9.65	
Postage—insurance—charges	2.93	
Town of Norton as per bequest	100.00	
Trust Fund as per bequest	100.00	
George E. Smith Treasurer's expense	125.00	
William J. Tucker expense	40.00	
John B. Scott expense	20.00	
John G. Adair expense	20.00	579.58
Net income		\$ 5,058.29

INVENTORY DECEMBER 31, 1945

Cash subject to check	\$ 735.62
Attleborough Savings Bank	6,500.00
Norton Sav. & Loan Assn. Mat. Shares	10,500.00
Taunton Co-op Bank Matured Shares	2,000.00
64,000 "F" Maturity Bonds	53,313.06
30,000 U. S. Treasury 2½% Bonds	30,000.00
20,000 "G" U. S. Treasury Bonds	20,000.00
5,000 Bonds Boston Edison Company	5,000.00
100 Bond Eastern States Ref. Co.	100.00
3,000 Bonds N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	3,000.00
5,000 Bonds Southern Calif. Edisons	5,000.00
2,000 Bonds Potter Realty Company	2,000.00
100 Shares Aetna Life Ins. Company	4,000.00
28 Shares Atch., Topeko X S. F. Ry.	2,800.00
100 Shares First Boston Corporation	3,875.00
200 Shares First Nat. Bank of Boston	9,025.00
400 Shares Nat. Shawmut Bank Boston	10,575.00
49 Shares Second Nat. Bank Boston	5,480.00
10 Shares Second Nat. Bank of Boston	1,000.00
Total	\$174,903.68
Inventory December 31, '44	169,845.39
Increase in assets	5,058.29

GEORGE E. SMITH, *Treasurer*

HICKS TRUST FUND 1945

Income Account

Dr.

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1945		\$ 141.02
Income received from stock	\$ 80.00	
Income received from bonds	61.00	
Hicks Reserve Fund	100.00	
Total income		241.00
		\$ 382.02

Cr.

Paid bank service charge	\$ 1.15	
Bruce the Florist, Flowers	30.00	
Town of Norton $\frac{1}{2}$ income	70.50	
Total paid		101.65
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1945		\$280.37
Principal balance on hand		134.20
		\$414.57

INVENTORY OF TRUST FUND

80 Shares Nat. Shawmut Bank, Boston	\$1,961.25
4 Bonds B & M Ry. 1st Mtg. Series RR	400.00
1 Bond B & M Ry. Income Mtg. $4\frac{1}{2}$ '70	1,000.00
1 Bond Eastern States Ref. Co.	1,000.00
Cash uninvested	134.20

GEORGE E. SMITH, *Treasurer*

MISCELLANEOUS OTHER TRUST FUNDS

WAR MEMORIAL FUND

Balance Jan. 1, 1945	\$ 347.28	
Interest received	3.48	
Balance Jan. 1, 1946	\$ 350.76	

SALE OF PINES FUND

Balance Jan. 1, 1945	\$4,792.21	
Interest received	85.64	\$4,877.85
Funds withdrawn as per town vote		325.00
Balance Jan. 2, 1946		\$4,552.85

HENRIETTA HODGES LIBRARY FUND

Balance Jan. 1, 1945	\$2,081.20	
Interest received	41.83	
Balance Jan. 14, 1946	\$2,123.03	

WATERMAN ACCOUNT

(Not a Town Fund)

Balance Jan. 1, 1945	\$ 201.52	
Interest received	2.02	
Balance Jan. 2, 1946	\$ 203.54	

TREASURER'S RECEIPTS

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Income Tax	\$13,066.93
Corporation Taxes	9,053.11
School Fund	6,376.99
Superintendent of Schools	1,146.64
Vocational Education	409.58
English Speaking Classes	77.50
Highway Fund	5,070.99
Snow Removal—Dept. of Public Works	280.00
Snow Removal—State Reimbursement	1,887.09
Meal Tax	907.66
Director of Standards	30.00
Department of Public Health	239.29
State Aid	169.00
Highways—Chap. 81	9,206.96
Highways—Chap. 90	400.00
Public Welfare	689.37
Old Age Assistance	13,215.92
Aid to Dependent Children	796.88
Old Age Assistance—Federal Grant	13,339.73
Aid to Dependent Children— Federal Grant	836.26
George Dean Fund	454.16

 \$77,681.06

George E. Smith, Collector:

Real & Personal Taxes	\$77,489.95
Poll Taxes	1,520.00
Motor Vehicle Excise	3,167.99
Fire District Taxes	3,677.59
Water Rates	17,606.48
Interest on Taxes	365.03
Interest on Motor Vehicle Excise	1.19
Poll Demands	6.30

 103,834.53

Other Receipts:

Sundry Persons, Licenses & Fees	\$4,216.92
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Sale of Pines Fund, Withdrawal	325.00	
Town of Norton, Equipment Fund	2,291.60	
Sundry Persons, Income Taxes Withheld	7,272.13	
County of Bristol, Highway, Chap. 90	400.00	
County of Bristol, Dog Fund	577.65	
Sundry Persons, Redemption of Tax Titles	420.71	
Sale of Foreclosed Tax Title	4.27	
Other Cities & Towns, Welfare	108.00	
Other Cities & Towns, Old Age Assistance	296.42	
Sundry Persons, Dog Licenses	797.20	
Sundry Persons, Perpetual Care Funds	1,300.00	
Rent, Town Farm	250.00	
Fines	160.00	
Interest & Costs on Tax Titles Redeemed	60.96	
Equipment Fund—Interest	89.78	
City of Boston—Tuition	129.29	
Hicks Reserve Fund	100.00	
Hicks Trust Fund	70.50	
Other Towns—Use of Town Equipment	22.00	
Sundry Persons—Snow Plowing, etc.	56.75	
Interest, Post War Rehabilitation Fund	153.12	
NY NH & H RR, Forest Fires	82.50	
City of Attleboro, Board of Health	124.50	
Sundry Persons, Town Hall Rentals	57.00	
Outstanding Checks cancelled	45.71	
L. W. Rubin, Sealer, Fees	22.02	
L. W. Rubin, Milk Inspector, Fees	13.50	
Sale of Voting List	.35	
		19,448.38
Total Receipts		\$200,963.97
Cash Balance Jan. 1, 1945		59,246.81
		\$260,210.78
Disbursements		203,419.21
Cash Balance Dec. 31, 1945		\$ 56,791.57

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT**MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE**

Balance Jan. 1, 1945		\$ 250.80
Commitments—Levy of 1945		3,275.72
Refunds		5.86
		\$3,532.38
Less:		
Collections	\$3,167.99	
Abatements	155.81	
		3,323.80
Balances Dec. 31, 1945:		
Levy of 1944	\$ 2.00	
Levy of 1945	206.58	
		\$208.58

FIRE DISTRICT TAXES

Balance Jan. 1, 1945		\$ 405.39
Commitments—Levy of 1945		3,605.04
Refunds		4.20
Adjustments		7.54
		\$4,022.17
Less:		
Collections	\$3,677.59	
Abatements	8.50	
Tax Tiles	0.96	
		3,687.05
Balance Dec. 31, 1945—Levy of 1945		\$335.12

GENERAL TAXES

Balance Jan. 1, 1945		\$11,565.77
Commitments:		
Poll	\$ 1,614.00	

Personal	6,303.00	
Real	68,295.75	
		76,212.75
Refunds		70.30
Payments not Assessed		38.00
Collections applicable to Tax Titles		146.25
Abatement in error		63.96
Other adjustments		2.00
		\$88,099.03
Less:		
Collections	\$79,009.95	
Tax Titles	421.48	
Abatements	151.62	
Adjustments	1.00	
		79,584.05
Balances Dec. 31, 1945:		
Levy of 1943	\$ 2.17	
Levy of 1944	290.67	
Levy of 1945	8,222.14	
		\$8,514.98

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

I submit, herewith, my report for the year 1945:

GENERAL

The financial operations of the Town for the year 1945 may be summarized as follows:

Appropriations voted at Annual Town Meeting	\$168,643.53
Appropriations voted at Special Town Meeting	3,850.00
State and County Taxes	8,644.84
Total Amount to be Provided	\$181,138.37

Less Transfers:

From Excess & Deficiency Account	\$23,500.00	
From Overlay Surplus	4,750.00	
From Equipment Fund	5,262.00	
From Sale of Pines Fund	325.00	
		33,837.00
Total Amount to be Raised from Current Revenue		\$147,301.37
Poll and Property Taxes Levied	\$76,194.75	
Less Overlay for Year	1,067.48	
		75,127.27
Estimated Revenue from Other Sources		\$72,174.10
Actual Revenue Received		81,013.68
Excess of Receipts over Estimates		\$8,839.58
Less: 1945 Taxes charged to Tax Titles, less additional taxes assessed		263.75
Surplus Revenue for the year		\$8,575.83
Appropriation Balances Closed Out		2,201.32
Total Surplus for the year		\$10,777.15
Excess & Deficiency Account, Jan. 1, 1945		40,411.20
Tax Title Redemptions		424.98
Other Credits (net)		169.25
Total		\$51,782.58

Less:

Transfers, as above	\$23,500.00	
Transfer to Post War Rehabilitation Fund	5,000.00	
Tax Titles	123.73	
		28,623.73
Excess & Deficiency Account Dec. 31, 1945		\$23,158.85

CASH

The general cash balance at Dec. 31, 1945, was \$56,062.84, a decrease of \$2,880.51 from the balance at the beginning of the year. This small decrease, in view of the substantial reduction in surplus, is accounted for by the increase in unexpended appropriation balances.

TAXES

A comparison of the status of the tax accounts for the past three years is shown below:

	Dec. 31, 1943	Dec. 31, 1944	Dec. 31, 1945
Current year's taxes outstanding (Percentage of total levy)	16.9%	13.9%	10.8%
Prior year's taxes outstanding (Amount)	\$4,013.94	\$996.06	\$292.84
Motor Vehicle Excise outstanding	714.17	250.80	208.58
Fire District Taxes outstanding	896.06	405.39	335.12

DEBT

The bonded debt of the Town at Dec. 31, 1945, was \$31,000, consisting entirely of the Water Loan. This amount is payable at the rate of \$4,000 annually through 1949, and at \$3,000 annually from 1950 through 1954.

POST WAR REHABILITATION FUND

The balance of this fund at December 31, 1945, was \$40,295.28, represented by U. S. Treasury Certificates of \$40,000 and cash of \$295.28. This fund has been excluded from the general balance sheet in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR M. FREEMAN,

Town Accountant

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

	Balance Jan. 1, 1945	Appro- priation	Receipts & Transfers	Total	Expended	Balance Dec. 1, 1945
General Gov't.—Salaries		\$4,775.00		\$4,775.00	\$4,775.00	\$53.71
Town Clerk's Expenses		235.00		235.00	181.29	4.83
Treasurer's Expenses		812.50		812.50	807.67	75.70
Tax Collector's Expenses		1,162.50		1,162.50	1,086.80	2.63
Selectmen's Expenses		275.00		275.00	272.37	.38
Assessors' Expenses		400.00		400.00	399.62	29.79
Accountant's Expenses		150.00		150.00	120.21	
Election & Registration		650.00	\$11.06	661.06	661.06	3.00
Legal Expenses		150.00		150.00	147.00	59.30
Town Hall		600.00		600.00	540.70	275.00*
Town Hall Plumbing	\$275.00			275.00		73.42
Police		3,000.00		3,000.00	2,926.58	30.57
Fire		3,800.00		3,800.00	3,769.43	2,000.00*
Fire Truck—Norton Grove		2,000.00		2,000.00		.15
Sealer		140.00		140.00	139.85	30.37
Tree Warden		250.00		250.00	219.63	461.00
Forest Fires		1,000.00		1,000.00	539.00	28.42
Moth		600.00		600.00	571.58	258.05
Reforestation		325.00		325.00	66.95	344.95*
Town Farm Repairs	509.95	175.00		684.95	340.00	87.00
Dog Officer		200.00		200.00	113.00	185.56
Board of Health		900.00		900.00	714.44	
B. C. T. B. Hospital		2,368.03		2,368.03	2,368.03	

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES (Continued)

	Balance Jan. 1, 1945	Appro- priation	Receipts & Transfers	Total	Expended	Balance Dec. 1, 1945
School Nurse		900.00		900.00	900.00	
Highway—Chapter 81		5,700.00	7,137.00	12,837.00	12,837.00	
Highway—Chapter 90	66.48			66.48		66.48*
Highway—Chapter 90—Maintenance		500.00	800.00	1,300.00	1,297.85	2.15
Bridges & Equipment		1,900.00	1,200.00	3,100.00	3,087.96	12.04
Snow Removal		4,600.00	1,550.00	6,150.00	6,104.31	45.69
Street Lights		1,980.00		1,980.00	1,952.37	27.63
W.P.A. Fund	259.02			259.02		259.02*
Equipment Account	43.15	1,675.00	1,100.00	2,818.15	2,532.22	28,593.00*
Equip. Acct.—New Equipment	919.50	2,487.00		3,406.50	125.00	3,281.50*
Repairs—Town Garage		300.00		300.00	297.69	2.31*
Public Welfare—Administration		1,680.00		1,680.00	1,610.63	69.37
Public Welfare		3,500.00	300.00	3,800.00	3,776.69	23.31
Aid to Dependent Children		1,350.00	700.00	2,050.00	2,002.81	47.19
Old Age Assistance	17,000.00	(1,000.00)		16,000.00	15,878.68	121.32
Soldiers' Relief		650.00		650.00	643.49	6.51
State & Military Aid		300.00		300.00		300.00
Schools		59,980.00		59,980.00	59,895.83	84.17
Schools—Laboratory Repairs	18.49			18.49		18.49*
Library		1,100.00		1,100.00	1,100.00	
School Planning Board		100.00		100.00		100.00*
Care of Common		75.00		75.00	67.40	7.60
Memorial Day		150.00		150.00	111.40	38.60

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES (Continued)

	Balance Jan. 1, 1945	Appro- priation	Receipts & Transfers	Total	Expended	Balance Dec. 1, 1945
Town Reports		948.50		948.50	948.50	
Reserve Fund		2,000.00	(166.41)	1,833.59		1,833.59
Insurance		2,300.00	143.35	2,443.35	2,443.35	
Unpaid Bills—Prior Years	20.00			20.00		20.00*
Committee on Public Safety	364.93			364.93	3.74	361.19*
Water		9,000.00		9,000.00	8,808.59	191.41
Water—Washington St.	3,171.12	6,200.00		9,371.12	2,779.33	6,591.79*
Water—So. Worcester St.		6,300.00		6,300.00	279.00	6,021.00*
Water—Barrows St.		6,000.00		6,000.00	3,132.02	2,867.98*
Water—Additional Supply	10,000.00			10,000.00	1,971.00	8,029.00*
Water—No. Worcester St.	523.49			523.49		523.49*
Cemeteries		500.00		500.00	499.00	1.00
Interest		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,402.50	97.50
Maturing Debt		4,000.00		4,000.00	4,000.00	
Totals	\$16,171.13	\$168,643.53	\$11,775.00	\$196,589.66	\$161,248.57	\$35,341.09

*Balance carried forward to 1946.

BALANCE SHEETS—GENERAL ACCOUNTS—DECEMBER 1, 1945 AND 1944

	ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
	Dec. 31, 1945	Dec. 31, 1944	Dec. 31, 1945	Dec. 31, 1944
Cash:				
General	\$56,062.84	\$58,943.35	Special Funds:	
Pine Fund	4,971.90	4,857.46	Pine Fund	\$ 4,971.90
War Memorial Fund	350.76	343.84	War Memorial Fund	350.76
Totals	\$61,385.50	\$64,144.65	Highway Equipment Fund	2,844.68
			Totals	\$8,167.34
			Appropriation Balances	\$31,048.13
			Federal Grants	\$251.14
			Overestimate—State Taxes	\$27.91
Accounts Receivable:			Overlays:	
General Taxes	\$ 8,514.98	\$11,565.77	Balances	\$ 1,335.57
Motor Vehicle Excise	208.58	250.80	Surplus	6,131.07
Fire District Taxes	335.12	405.39	Totals	\$ 7,466.64
Water Rates	2,169.85	2,440.95	Reserved Against Uncollected	
Public Welfare, OAA & ADC	3,677.64	2,401.79	Revenue	\$10,009.36
State Aid to Highways	666.56	2,748.52	Withholding Tax Deductions	\$ 1,306.41
Tax Titles	912.68	1,906.90	Due County Treasurer—	
Tax Title Possessions	2,705.49	1,834.81	Dog Licenses	\$5.40
Cemetery Perpetual Care	753.17	18.97	Surplus Revenue	\$23,158.85
Funds			Total	\$81,441.18
Totals	\$19,944.07	\$23,573.90		
Underestimate—County Tax	\$111.61			
Total	\$81,441.18	\$87,718.55		

BURIAL FUNDS

COMMON CEMETERY

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit Jan. 1, 1945 & Inc. New 1945	Interest Re- ceived	Expended Care of Lots	Balance Jan. 1, 1946
Alden	\$100.00	\$102.20	\$2.05	\$2.00	\$102.25
Arno, Saloni-us-Flora	75.00	77.09	1.87	1.00	77.96
Arnold, Emelia K.	100.00	102.30	1.55	2.00	101.85
Barker, Alfred	200.00	202.04	2.04	2.00	202.08
Bernesconi-Drake	100.00	101.89	1.53	1.00	102.42
Blandin, Benjamin A.	50.00	51.86	1.25	1.00	52.11
Braman, Isaac T.	100.00	101.76	1.53	1.00	102.29
Briggs, Alfred Allen	150.00	152.70	2.31	2.00	153.01
Briggs, Charles H.	100.00	102.62	2.05	2.00	102.67
Briggs, Chas. L.-Kate R.	100.00	102.62	2.05	2.00	102.67
Briggs, E. Lyman-Ellen	100.00	145.44	2.50	—	147.94
Burgess, Thomas H.	100.00	102.30	1.54	2.00	101.84
Card, Thomas	100.00	102.10	1.54	2.00	101.64
Chase, William C.	100.00	101.97	1.53	1.00	102.50
Codding, Erastus-Susan	100.00	103.44	2.50	3.00	102.94
Codding, Wm. E. (New)	100.00	100.00	—	—	100.00
Colby, Alice Skinner	100.00	102.61	2.50	2.00	103.11
Collum, Harry J.	100.00	102.90	2.50	2.00	103.40
Cook and Boucher	100.00	203.31	3.05	3.00	203.36
Crossman and Hogan	200.00	204.36	3.07	3.00	204.43
Danforth, Henry G.	100.00	102.85	2.05	2.00	102.90
Danforth, Lemuel	100.00	101.83	1.53	1.00	102.36
Dorothy, Chas. L. (New)	100.00	100.00	—	—	100.00
Fiske and Eddy	100.00	204.49	3.08	4.00	203.57
Fiske, S. Frank & Frank E.	100.00	101.92	1.54	1.00	102.46
Fletcher, George	100.00	102.10	1.54	2.00	101.64
Forbes, William	50.00	52.04	1.25	1.00	52.29
Freeman, Charles A.	100.00	104.05	1.56	3.00	102.61
Freeman, Edgar A.	100.00	103.16	2.50	3.00	102.66
Freeman, Henry S.	100.00	101.86	1.54	1.00	102.40
Freeman, Nathaniel- Sarah	100.00	101.86	1.54	1.00	102.40
Gardner, Eliza	100.00	100.38	1.51	—	101.89
Hall, Richard Henry	100.00	101.73	1.54	1.00	102.27
Hall, Richard Hutchins	100.00	101.70	1.54	1.00	102.24

BURIAL FUNDS (Continued)

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit Jan. 1, 1945 & Inc. New 1945	Interest Re- ceived	Expended Care of Lots	Balance Jan. 1, 1946
Harvey, John J. Herbert	200.00	203.72	3.09	3.00	203.81
Haskell, Alonzo & Roland (New)	100.00	100.00	—	—	100.00
Haskell, Geo. O.	100.00	102.18	1.54	2.00	101.72
Hill, Jemima	100.00	102.66	2.50	2.00	103.16
Hodges, Anna E.	100.00	102.16	1.55	2.00	101.71
Hodges, Leonard M.	100.00	101.75	1.54	1.00	102.29
Hodges, William	300.00	305.14	4.59	5.00	304.73
Holmes and Benham	200.00	203.78	3.06	3.00	203.84
Hunt and Taipe	175.00	179.60	2.72	4.00	178.32
Inman	100.00	104.22	1.57	2.00	103.79
King, Mary B.	100.00	103.37	2.50	3.00	102.87
King, Philip B.	100.00	102.53	1.54	2.00	102.07
Lane, Alice-Allen W.	100.00	102.88	2.05	2.00	102.93
Lane, A. D.-William A.	300.00	354.09	7.11	15.00	346.20
Lane, Captain Calvin	50.00	51.07	0.77	1.00	50.84
Lane, C. D.-O. H.	300.00	316.10	7.95	5.00	319.05
Lane, Elmer E.	150.00	152.46	2.29	2.00	152.75
Leonard, Everett R.	100.00	102.40	2.05	2.00	102.45
Leonard, Henrietta F.	5,000.00	5,128.00	126.55	125.00	5,129.55
Leonard, Luen C. Jacob A.	150.00	153.70	3.08	2.00	154.78
Lewis, Graciella	100.00	102.58	2.50	2.00	103.08
Lincoln, Effia M.	100.00	103.13	2.50	2.00	103.63
Makepeace, David W. (New)	100.00	100.00	—	—	100.00
Messinger, Charles O.	150.00	154.59	3.75	2.00	156.34
Morey, Samuel Esq.	150.00	165.03	2.49	10.00	157.52
Palmer, Ephriam	100.00	103.44	2.59	2.00	104.03
Parker	100.00	113.80	1.71	5.00	110.51
Pearse, Edwin S.	150.00	159.25	3.19	—	162.44
Perry, George-Martha L.	100.00	101.78	1.54	1.00	102.32
Perry, Nathan-Phoebe	50.00	51.90	1.03	1.00	51.93
Pitts	100.00	102.18	1.54	2.00	101.72
Reynolds, Clifford E.	300.00	311.67	4.69	—	316.36
Richmond, Benjamin H. (1)	175.00	168.27	4.37	—	172.64
Richmond, Benjamin H. (2)	175.00	193.93	4.38	12.00	186.31

BURIAL FUNDS (Continued)

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit Jan. 1, 1945 & Inc. New 1945	Interest Re- ceived	Expended Care of Lots	Balance Jan. 1, 1946
Ridgeway, Jesse	100.00	100.88	1.51	—	102.39
Rollins, Fred P.	100.00	94.37	1.42	—	95.79
Russell, John & Ada	100.00	102.18	1.54	2.00	101.72
Scott, Charles H.	100.00	102.23	1.54	2.00	101.77
Shaw, George B.	100.00	103.28	2.50	3.00	102.78
Shaw, Horace	100.00	102.03	1.55	2.00	101.58
Shaw, Mabelle, E. (New)	100.00	100.00	.50	—	100.50
Shelly, Libeous	100.00	101.71	1.54	1.00	102.25
Smith, Almira	200.00	205.53	5.00	2.00	208.53
Smith, John Henry	100.00	102.58	2.05	2.00	102.63
Smith, Nathan	200.00	204.52	4.10	4.00	204.62
Smith, Nathan (2)	100.00	102.03	1.55	2.00	101.58
Sweet, Frederick M.	100.00	102.56	2.50	2.00	103.06
Sweet, George B.	300.00	305.24	4.59	3.00	306.83
Sweet, Ival H.	100.00	101.98	1.54	2.00	101.52
Taylor, Fred R.	100.00	100.00	1.00	—	101.00
Tinkham, Anthony- Arnold	150.00	154.09	3.75	4.00	153.84
Thomae, Charles (New)	100.00	100.00	—	—	100.00
Thompson, Alfred	100.00	100.00	—	—	100.00
Walker, Oren E.	100.00	102.33	2.05	2.00	102.38
Wetherell, C. S.-C. B.	200.00	204.14	3.07	4.00	203.21
Wetherell, Frank	100.00	103.04	2.50	3.00	102.54
Wetherell, George	100.00	102.02	1.55	2.00	101.57
Wetherell and Kilburn	200.00	205.49	5.00	5.00	205.49
Wetherell, Lewis	100.00	101.94	1.54	2.00	101.48
Wetherell, Pliny	100.00	102.71	2.50	2.00	103.21
Wetherell, Stillman A.	100.00	103.00	2.50	3.00	102.50
Wheeler, Eliza W.	100.00	101.72	1.53	1.00	102.25
White, Sarah	100.00	103.11	2.50	3.00	102.61
Wilcox, Isac	50.00	51.98	1.25	1.00	52.23
Wild, George W. Jr.	100.00	101.78	1.54	1.00	102.32
Woods, Herbert C. & Althea	100.00	101.57	1.53	1.00	102.10
Woodward, Barna	100.00	100.38	1.51	—	101.89
Woodward, Herbert	100.00	102.00	1.54	2.00	101.54
Wrigley, James L.	100.00	102.32	1.55	2.00	101.87

BURIAL FUNDS (Continued)

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit Jan. 1, 1945 & Inc. New 1945	Interest Re- ceived	Expended Care of Lots	Balance Jan. 1, 1946
Common Cemetery (Funds added in 1945)	750.00	765.58	15.38	15.00	765.96
Totals	\$18,050.00	\$18,789.16	\$363.23	\$357.00	\$18,795.39

CENTER CEMETERY

Austin, Adelaide	\$200.00	\$205.18	\$5.00	\$3.00	\$207.18
Bean, Rev. Samuel	100.00	108.95	1.65	5.00	105.60
Blandin, Benjamin	50.00	50.96	0.76	1.00	50.72
Blandin, Jesse and Jesse	150.00	152.96	2.30	2.00	153.26
Blandin, William B.- Aurelia	100.00	109.30	2.74	5.00	107.04
Bosworth, Lucinda	100.00	108.66	2.17	5.00	105.83
Braman	250.00	428.72	6.44	9.40	425.76
Britton, Adelbert	200.00	200.33	4.02	—	204.35
Bruce, Charles S.	100.00	103.28	2.50	2.00	103.78
Busher, C. J.	100.00	102.81	2.05	2.00	102.86
Carpenter, Danise	100.00	105.57	1.60	3.00	104.17
Carpenter, Ellen F.	200.00	226.87	3.48	10.00	220.35
Carpenter, T. P.-Mary V.	100.00	103.42	2.50	2.00	103.92
Carpenter, Thomas	100.00	103.76	2.07	2.00	103.83
Carver, Theodore C.	100.00	103.20	2.07	2.00	103.27
Clapp, C. Walter- Mary G.	100.00	102.98	1.55	2.00	102.53
Clapp, Charles G.	100.00	153.66	2.33	3.00	152.99
Cobb, Silas H.	100.00	110.95	2.78	5.00	108.73
Dean, Lewis B.	100.00	104.23	2.09	2.00	104.32
Draper, Samuel A.	200.00	209.49	5.00	4.00	210.49
Fortune, Walker & Harriet	100.00	103.04	2.50	2.00	103.54
Gale and Sowden	100.00	102.94	1.54	2.00	102.48
Goff and Knox	100.00	102.80	1.55	2.00	102.35
Goff, Silas R.-Roxanna	100.00	104.13	2.50	2.00	104.63
Hagerty, Charles	100.00	102.98	2.50	2.00	103.48
Hodges and Field	200.00	224.95	5.00	10.00	219.95
Hodges, Royal P.	100.00	106.14	1.60	3.00	104.74
Holmes and King	100.00	102.68	2.50	2.00	103.18
Hunt, Calvin M.	50.00	51.43	1.02	1.00	51.45

BURIAL FUNDS (Continued)

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit	Interest Re- ceived	Expended Care of Lots	Balance Jan. 1, 1946
		Jan. 1, 1945 & Inc. New 1945 Funds			
Jenkins, Willard	100.00	104.97	2.10	2.00	105.07
Kay, John	100.00	106.61	2.50	3.00	106.11
Lane, Gardner	50.00	51.67	0.78	1.00	51.45
Leonard, Virgil H.	100.00	101.38	1.53	1.00	101.91
Lewis, Calvin	100.00	102.30	2.05	2.00	102.35
Lincoln, Moses	100.00	113.55	1.71	—	115.26
Makepeace, D. P.	100.00	106.39	1.60	3.00	104.99
Makepeace, Lysander	100.00	102.76	2.50	2.00	103.26
Morse	75.00	93.60	1.87	1.00	94.47
Mott, Rev. Herbert H.	100.00	102.81	2.50	2.00	103.31
Oldfield, C. T.	200.00	278.71	4.23	10.00	272.94
Raymond, Ward	100.00	102.17	1.54	2.00	101.71
Russell and Chadwick	100.00	103.22	2.50	2.00	103.72
Shook, G. S.	100.00	102.94	1.54	2.00	102.48
Skinner	100.00	104.06	2.09	3.00	103.15
Sweet, Benjamin	150.00	262.47	3.99	6.00	260.46
Sweet, Cordana	100.00	105.34	2.64	3.00	104.98
Sweet, Herbert	100.00	110.85	1.66	5.00	107.51
Ware, Edward Everett	100.00	102.94	1.54	2.00	102.48
Williamson, Dent	100.00	100.38	1.51	—	101.89
Willis, Loren B.	100.00	103.59	1.58	2.00	103.17
Wood, J. Stephen	100.00	103.43	1.57	2.00	103.00
Woodward, Harold	150.00	153.20	2.31	3.00	152.51
General Fund	100.00	114.55	2.29	8.00	108.84
Funds added in 1945					
Totals	\$6,025.00	\$6,730.26	\$125.94	\$162.40	\$6,693.80

BABBITT CEMETERY

Frances	\$200.00	\$205.61	\$3.10	—	\$208.71
Francis, Lorenzo. H.	100.00	103.46	2.50	—	105.96
Smith, Seth	75.00	78.01	1.86	—	79.87
Sumner and Knowles	100.00	102.64	1.54	—	104.18
Wilbur	100.00	102.71	1.54	—	104.25
Totals	\$575.00	\$592.43	\$10.54	—	\$602.97

TIMOTHY PLAIN CEMETERY

Copeland, John	\$ 100.00	\$102.50	\$1.55	\$2.00	\$102.05
Hayward, Betsy	2,000.00	2,154.37	55.17	58.32	2,151.22

BURIAL FUNDS (Continued)

Name of Fund	Amount of Fund	On Deposit Jan. 1, 1945 & Inc. New 1945	Interest Re- ceived	Expended Care of Lots	Balance Jan. 1, 1946
Leonard, Charles P.	100.00	103.16	2.50	2.00	103.66
Leonard, George H. & Lincoln, Frank L.	150.00	154.31	3.75	2.00	156.06
Newcomb, Harriot A.	2,000.00	2,189.39	52.94	58.00	2,184.33
Newcomb, John B.- Charles S.	500.00	500.00	—	—	500.00
Robertson, Berenice	100.00	102.73	2.50	2.00	103.23
Wood, Catherine L.	100.00	103.70	2.07	2.00	103.77
Wood, Elkanah	100.00	103.53	2.50	2.00	104.03
Totals	\$5,150.00	\$5,513.69	\$122.98	\$128.32	\$5,508.35

WOODWARD CEMETERY

Willis, Lewis H.	\$150.00	\$187.18	\$2.81	—	\$189.99
Woodward, Cynthia	150.00	157.50	2.37	—	159.87
Woodward, Frederick C.	150.00	155.83	2.33	—	158.16
Totals	\$450.00	\$500.51	\$7.51	—	\$508.02

CRANE CEMETERY

Crane, Calvin	\$100.00	\$105.01	\$1.58	—	\$106.59
Eddy, Daniel J.	300.00	306.53	6.15	—	312.68
Leonard	100.00	103.77	2.50	—	106.27
Totals	\$500.00	\$515.31	\$10.23	—	\$525.54

WHITE CEMETERY

White, Benjamin-Obera	\$150.00	\$232.63	\$3.53	—	\$236.16
Totals	\$150.00	\$232.63	\$3.53	—	\$236.16

WINNECUNET CEMETERY

Field, Lloyd A.	\$100.00	\$107.00	\$2.50	\$4.00	\$105.50
Lincoln, Willie S.	300.00	304.53	4.58	4.00	305.11
Whole Lot	1,010.00	1,060.76	26.68	4.25	1,083.19
Totals	\$1,410.00	\$1,472.29	\$33.76	\$12.25	\$1,493.80

GEORGE E. SMITH, *Treasurer*

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SCHOOL COMMITTEE



for the

Year Ending December 31, 1945

**REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE
TOWN OF NORTON
For the Year 1945**

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Employment and Educational Certificates are issued at the office of the Superintendent of Schools.

NORTON SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1945-46**Elementary and High Schools:**

First term opens September 5, 1945

First term closes December 21, 1945—16 weeks—73 days

Second term opens January 2, 1946

Second term closes February 15, 1946—7 weeks—33 days

Third term opens February 25, 1946

Third term closes April 18, 1946—8 weeks—39 days

Fourth term opens April 29, 1946

Fourth term closes:

Elementary Schools—June 14, 1946—7 weeks—34 days

High School—June 21, 1946—8 weeks—39 days

School Sessions:

High School—8 A. M. to 1:05 P. M.

Elementary Schools—9:00 A. M. to 12:00 noon, and 1:00 P. M. to 3:00 P. M.

Holidays:

October 12, October 26 (County Convention), November 22, November 23, November 21 ($\frac{1}{2}$ day), December 21 ($\frac{1}{2}$ day), April 19, May 30.

No School Signals:

7:00 A. M.—Three double blasts of the whistles at the plants of Talbot Wool Combing Company, Defiance Manufacturing Company, and the sirens of the Norton Fire Department signify no session for any school for the day

7:45 A. M.—Same signal signifies no session in the elementary school for the day.

Signals will be given through radio stations WEAN: 7 A. M. to 7:30 A. M.; and at 7:45 A. M. and 8:15 A. M.—WBZ: 7:00 A. M. to 8:00 A. M.

**REPORT OF THE NORTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE
FOR THE YEAR 1945**

To the Citizens of Norton:

The School Committee is pleased to report that in spite of all difficulties the past year has been marked by continued progress in educating the children of our town. The end of hostilities creates almost as many problems as it solves, and it will be some time before wartime scarcities of materials disappear and the widespread teacher shortage gives place to more normal conditions. Although much preparatory work is being done, the physical improvement of local schools in any large sense must await the future. Meanwhile, parents should be willing to recognize that work in the Norton schools today is to be judged not so much on the basis of the actual surroundings in which teaching is done as on the quality of instruction which a conscientious staff, working under many disadvantages, provides.

Total expenditures per pupil in Norton for the year 1945 were \$109.20, a sum which is \$16.16 less than the state average of \$125.36 for towns of comparable size. After deducting state reimbursement from the preceding gross expenditures the figures for 1945 show that the net expenditure in Norton per pupil was \$82.64 which is \$19.30 less than the state average of \$101.94. Educational costs in Norton have risen, but not in proportion to the general rise throughout Massachusetts.

The following table shows the net cost to the town of operating its schools for the past four years:

	1942	1943	1944	1945
Spent by Norton	\$47,282.59	\$50,813.80	\$54,938.73	\$59,895.83
State reimbursement	11,598.83	15,555.11	13,529.19	14,536.11
Net cost to town	\$35,683.76	\$35,258.69	\$41,409.54	\$45,359.72

Budget figures over a period of fifteen years are given on the following page for purposes of comparison.

SUMMARY OF THE 1946 SCHOOL BUDGET

	Budget 1946	Expended (last year) 1945	Expended (5 yrs. ago) 1941	Expended (10 yrs. ago) 1936	Expended (15 yrs. ago) 1931
General	\$ 885.00	\$ 799.19	\$ 352.64	\$ 424.48	\$ 485.05
Teachers' Salaries	35,800.00	34,874.90	25,248.51	24,242.31	24,852.35
Janitors' Salaries	4,264.00	4,279.00	3,369.00	3,494.00	3,494.00
Transportation	6,968.00	6,856.00	6,208.00	5,904.00	6,481.80
Fuel and Light	2,419.00	2,351.38	1,842.66	1,930.79	2,156.20
Books and Supplies	2,400.00	2,943.45	2,529.56	2,181.27	2,225.33
Superintendent, salary and School Union travel	2,800.00	2,600.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00
Physician	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
New Equipment	390.00	118.11	513.89	150.75	464.85
Tuition	700.00	455.47	546.96	173.40	103.00
Repairs, Janitors' Supplies	1,850.00	2,467.17	2,057.30	1,452.94	1,721.41
Sundries	340.00	266.85	181.10	121.76	268.73
Adult Alien Education	.....	107.50	.....	.....	.....
Household Arts	1,450.00	1,109.31	.....	.....	.....
Retirement Fund for Teachers					
in Military Service	126.00	117.50	.....	.....	.....
Rent	350.00	350.00	.....	.....	.....
	\$60,942.00	\$59,895.83	\$45,449.62	\$42,675.70	\$44,852.72

In order to meet the requirements of the State building inspector considerable repairs have been necessary. Over \$600.00 has been spent on enclosing the furnace at the Barrowsville School with fire-proof construction. With the valuable assistance of the Norton P. T. A. a room has been fitted out in the basement of the Sturdy School where meals can be prepared. Routine repairs have been carried out at the Center School. The Legion Hall has been rented again to provide space for the first grade of the Center School.

A number of changes in the teaching staff have taken place during the year. Mr. Henri A. Yelle, who has been absent on military service since 1941 replaced Mrs. Helen Doherty in the High School and is teaching French, mathematics and history. Miss Lorraine Porter, a graduate of the Bridgewater State Teachers' College, is in charge of grades VI and VII at the Center School. Miss Anne Gallagher, a graduate of Boston University School of Education, is in charge of grades V and VI. Mrs. Margaret Mahoney has been transferred to Grade IV. At the Sturdy School, Mrs. Anastasia Covell, a graduate of the Fitchburg Normal School, is in charge of grades V and VI, Miss Mildred Wetherell having been moved to grades III and IV. Mrs. Lucille Zwicker, who had been transferred from the Center to act as principal of the Barrowsville School, resigned in October 1945, and was replaced by Mrs. Eleanor Clapp. Miss Natalie Alger, a graduate of the local High School and of Wheelock College in Boston, is in charge of grades III and IV at Barrowsville.

With deep regret the School Committee records the passing of Mrs. Rowena Browne Rice, who, for eighteen years exercised her unusual talents as Art Supervisor in the local schools. She has been succeeded by Miss Louise Spier, a graduate of the Massachusetts School of Art, who has taught in the Northampton Public Schools and the Clarke School in the same city.

The committee has accepted with regret the resignation of Mrs. Alice M. Illingworth as Music Supervisor. She is entitled to the leisure which comes to her after thirty-two years of faithful and enthusiastic service. Mrs. Illingworth is succeeded by Mr. Nahum P. Gillespie, a graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music, who combines his duties here with those of instructor in music at Dean Academy.

The School Committee is concerned with preparing a complete register of all teachers and pupils who served their country during the war. While such a register cannot yet be completed, the Committee desires to express its satisfaction and pride in the faithful acceptance of their duties by all who were called upon to serve.

Perhaps the most important work of the year from a long-range point of view has been that of the School Planning Committee. The following individuals were appointed as a result of a vote of the annual town meeting and have met on various occasions.

Mr. Thomas Manning, Chairman	Mr. Alfred Krall
Mr. E. J. Knapton, Secretary	Judge Ralph C. Estes
Mr. A. L. Valentine	Mr. Clifford E. Reynolds
Mrs. B. W. Freeman	Mr. Milton Perry
Mr. John B. Scott	Mr. William B. Flaherty
Mrs. Evelyn L. Sheehan	Mr. Lester M. Johnson

Dr. Herbert Blair, educational consultant of the Massachusetts Teachers Federation, has been engaged to make a study of the local school situation and has submitted a report of great interest and value. On the basis of this report and of additional studies made by the Planning Committee it is now possible to see more clearly the needs of the town and how they may be met.

A striking point of Dr. Blair's report is that on the basis of the records it appears that the town has spent not more than \$60,000 in the past sixty years upon school buildings. Such dismal figures help to accentuate the urgent need today, which is to work out a business-like and intelligent plan whereby the present great deficiencies in buildings can be overcome. A total of \$40,000 has been set aside by the Town Meeting over the past two years from available funds and put into war bonds in order to provide the nucleus of a post-war building fund. The School Committee is convinced that this eminently sensible procedure, which has had no perceptible effect upon the tax rate, should be followed until the time when actual building can be undertaken. By increasing this fund the eventual burden to the town will be very much lightened.

It is clear that the town cannot proceed simply to assume the operating cost of an additional modern school, no matter how badly it is needed, but that any building plans must take into account a careful reorganization of the present school system. The Planning Committee has made such studies. It would seem possible to reorganize the classes in such a way that once a new building is completed the overall costs of operation could be about the same as they now are. Moreover, a much better program could be offered to the children including manual training, domestic science and gymnasium facilities. Under these circumstances citizens should lend the School Planning Committee their earnest support and should be prepared to give a sympathetic reception to the proposals that it is hoped soon to make in a more detailed form.

The detailed report which Dr. Blair has submitted is available in the Superintendent's office for any who cares to consult it. His principal recommendation is that a new Junior-Senior High School, which would accommodate all local children from the seventh to the twelfth grade inclusive, is the immediate objective toward which the town should work. A summary of the main conclusions and recommendations of his report follows:

Summary

1. There has been little change in Norton in the last thirty years in the number of children attending the public schools but the holding power of the school has increased and more children remain to complete at least some of the high school work.
2. There is still a wide spread of ages for the pupils in each grade and a wide spread of grades for the pupils of any given age.
3. The boys have had more difficulty than the girls in making the normal progress of one grade of achievement for each year spent in school.
4. Inadequate school facilities, limited in large measure to a fixed seat in a classroom and a few testbooks for instructional material, are the main reasons why so many pupils make poor progress in the Norton school.
5. Seldom does a pupil who is required to repeat a grade overcome that handicap and remain in school long enough to graduate from high school. Almost never does he finish high school if he has repeated two grades.
6. The small classes that are unavoidable in a high school with a small enrollment has resulted in Norton as in other small high schools in low salaries for teachers, frequent changes due to resignations, and high costs. The Norton high school has an unusual number of these small classes. The high school day in Norton is shorter than it is in the other high schools similar in size. The cost per pupil in Norton is low when considered on any fair basis of comparison.
7. Few people in Norton pay any considerable amount in taxes. For about half of the taxpayers this is less than fifteen dollars a year. Only seventeen, persons and companies combined, pay more than two hundred fifty dollars for all local expenses. Only four companies pay a larger tax than is required from Wheaton College.

Recommendations

1. A six year high school for grades seven through twelve, with provision for approximately 300 pupils would be the most satisfactory plan for Norton and in the long run would prove to be no more expensive than to try to add to the present buildings.

If the future of the children of Norton is taken into consideration the present plan of furnishing inadequate facilities has proved to be very expensive. When only 11 out of 65 pupils who started the first grade together were able to finish the high school together, the cost of the lack of facilities for these 54 pupils who dropped out is beyond calculation.

2. This six year high school if properly planned can be built at a cost that is within the ability of Norton to pay without being a hardship on any taxpayer.

3. Since construction for the next year, due to the unsettled condition of the labor market and the lack of materials, is practically prohibitive, this year should be spent in considering the plans for the proposed building. Substantial savings can always be made when due consideration is given to the planning of the building.

4. Other towns, Middleboro, Mansfield, Bridgewater, to mention but three of the many, have each appropriated a sum of money for working drawings, usually about \$5000, and are studying these drawings to see where improvements may be made. In each case these studies are resulting in reducing the size of the building and so reducing the cost. From such drawings an accurate estimate can be made as to what the total cost of the building will be.

5. Since the suggested site on Wheaton College property is adequate in every way for a new six year high school, the drawings can be made to fit the site as well as fit the desired educational program.

The School Committee again records its appreciation of the interest taken by the Norton Parent Teachers Association and of the loyal service of the superintendent, principals, teachers and staff of the Norton Schools.

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST J. KNAPTON, Chairman,
BERNICE W. FREEMAN,
ARTHUR L. VALENTINE.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Norton School Committee:

I have the honor of submitting to you my twenty-second annual report as Superintendent of Schools and the fifty-second in the series of reports.

School Buildings

The past reports have given definite statistics and recommendations for an enlarged school plant in order to meet better the physical needs of the pupils in the Norton Schools, and in order to furnish the enlarged educational facilities which should be offered in our High School program. These conditions still exist. The appointment of a special Town Committee on this topic last year indicates the interest of the citizens of the Town in this program. Definite plans for making progress in carrying out this program should be started this year. A majority of the communities have the same problem and are making a careful study and preliminary plans with school architects and school building consultants for new school buildings with modern educational facilities.

Teachers' Salaries

Over half of the school budget in Norton is spent on teachers' salaries. This is the general situation in most school departments. Educationally the quality of the teaching staff, which in general is in proportion to the salaries paid, is the most important item for the consideration of the School Committee and for the citizens of the town. Thus educationally and financially this item deserves careful study. In the past two years there has been an increase both in the number of teachers, to meet certain definite needs as outlined in the past reports, and in the salaries paid in order to secure qualified teachers. At no time in my personal experience has it been so difficult to find good candidates for vacancies on the school staff. The competition of the few possible candidates has been most intense. The following statistics give some indication of the seriousness of this problem.

The following tabulation is taken from the publications of the U. S. Office of Education and from the June 1945 edition of Survey of Current Business. These figures are on a National scale. This is probably true for industry also. A study of these figures shows difficulty in securing teachers at our salary schedule.

**Average Salaries in Public-School Teaching and Average Earnings
Per Full Time Employee in Private Industry, 1929-1945**

Year	Teaching	Industry
1929	\$1392	\$1408
1935	1244	1127
1940	1441	1297
1943	1599	2026
1945 (estimate)	1786 (estimate)	2286

The following table of towns in this district, which belong to the local Superintendents' Club, gives a comparison of the problem in this immediate district. This table shows that Norton has a difficult problem even in relation to the surrounding towns.

Town	Maximum Salary Now In Effect Elementary	Maximum Salary Junior High	Maximum Salary High
Bridgewater	\$1660	\$1795 (w) 2000 (m)	\$1995 (w) 2300 (m)
East Bridgewater	1600	1900 (w) 2300 (m)	1900 (w) 2300 (m)
Easton	1700	1900 (w) 2300 (m)	1900 (w) 2300 (m)
Franklin	1750 plus	1850 (w) 1950 (m)	2050 (w) 2350 (m) plus
Wrentham	1750 plus	2100 (w) 2200 (m)	2050 (w) 2350 (m)
Mansfield	1700	1850 (w)	2100 (w) 2300 (m)
North Attleboro	1850	1850 (w) 2200 (m)	2050 (w) 2250 (m)
Norton	1600	1600 (w)	1800 (w) 2000 (m)
Plainville	1700	1800 (w)	1800 (w) 2200 (m)
Walpole	1800 plus 20%	1900 (w) 2100 (m) plus \$360	2100 (w) 2300 (m) plus \$360
West Bridgewater	1550		1800 (w) 2100 (m)

(w) denotes women (m) denotes men

What about the salary situation in the coming year? It is not expected to change materially from the situation of the past year. An examination of the enrollment at the State Teachers' Colleges shows that the graduates of the class next June will be no more than in the past year and that already most of these are being placed and usually at a salary greater than our beginning salary. In the past many of the places which paid high maximum salaries started their teachers at a low salary but due to the teacher shortage and the State Minimum Salary Law, most teachers are being hired at salaries greater than the Norton schedule. According to the most recent Massachusetts State House reports the cost of living in November 1945 had increased approximately twenty-seven per cent from January 1941. Except for the increase in the minimum salaries, due to the State Salary Law, the average increase has been thirteen per cent. There is a definite need and justification for increase in the salary schedule to maintain the quality of the teaching staff.

Course of Study in English

During the past year a committee on English in the Norton and Plainville schools has been studying the selection of a text book for the teaching of English in the elementary schools and the high schools. The results of the teaching of English in our schools, as shown by the Iowa Basic Skills Tests, which have been given in all grades for the past five years, has shown the need for a re-examination of the textbooks in use which also involves teaching methods and procedures as well as subject content. This committee studied the selection of textbooks with regard to the whole general problem of the teaching of English and the desired results. After an examination of a large number of the recent publications in this field it was decided to make a detailed examination of the series of textbooks published by seven publishing houses.

OUR LANGUAGE series for grades three through six and the DAILY LIFE ENGLISH series for Junior and Senior High School published by Ginn and Company were selected by the committee. The characteristics of these books which brought about its selection were:

1. Systematic graduation of lessons to develop specified skills.
2. Exercises planned for a wide range of pupil interest and abilities.
3. Lessons built on pupils' natural experiences.
4. An excellent testing program.

5. More material for both oral, written and supplementary use was presented in these books.

You, as a school committee, have given approval for the adoption of this series. The books are now in use and a careful check-up of the results will be made this year. The members of this committee of teachers deserve much credit for a careful study of the problem.

The Norton members of this joint committee were:

Loretta McHugh, Chairman	Norton
Lucille Zwicker	Norton
Anastacia Covell	Norton
William Mahoney	Norton
Alta Estabrook	Norton

Pupil Accounting

The Pupil Accounting Plan has been in operation for ten years. In some of the past reports references and some description of this plan have been given. It has been somewhat unique and outstanding in an effort to gather all possible data about the progress of each pupil which might be used as a basis of pupil guidance. It has not functioned as fully as desired due to the lack of personnel to carry on the system as it is done in some larger school departments. At the present time this topic is being given further consideration with a plan for revision of the original set-up to increase its effectiveness and operation for both pupils and teachers. During the past year Miss Loretta McHugh has made this topic the basis of her thesis while doing graduate study for her Masters Degree at Boston University. An excellent report and recommendations for revision, enlargement, and improvement of the original plan has been submitted. This will be the basis for the study of this problem by a group of principals, and teachers, with me. A part of this general problem is the form of the report to parents concerning pupil progress. The teachers in both Norton and Plainville high schools have been studying and analyzing the report cards used in many other towns in this State. I have called a joint meeting of these two groups for further consideration of the subject. Mr. William Mahoney, Principal of the Sturdy School, is studying the revision of the elementary school report card in connection with graduate study at Boston University. His results will be given to all elementary teachers for further examination. All of these efforts are directed at making the report of pupil progress valid and as helpful as possible to the parent. No form of pupil records or of pupil report cards can take the place of teacher and parent conferences in a mutually friendly, helpful, and cooperative understanding.

The New England School Development Council

During the Summer I spent three days at conferences at Harvard University with a group of Superintendents from all of the New England states who had been invited for the consideration of the study of school problems. These discussions resulted in an organization of the New England School Development Council. It is the basic purpose of this Council to forward significant improvements in public education through broadly based cooperative participation in educational planning.

The Council will work through committees which will determine the school problems for study and report to the Superintendents and towns cooperating with this organization. Study committees of teachers, school executives, school committee members, and interested citizens will cooperate in these studies of ways and means of improving the work of the public schools. Since the basis of democratic growth is appreciation and understanding of problems by the community as a whole, the representatives of the Council will seek every means possible to interest the general public in its support of local education and to locate and develop potential leaders who will have the capacity to recognize and appraise good school policy and practices, as well as to participate in their development. This community leadership and active participation will be represented in as many committees as possible. This organization is a forward looking step in educational development.

Harvard Report

During the past year there was issued by the Harvard faculty the committee report on **General Education in a Free Society**. This report analyzes the present status of education in the high school as well as the college level. It has made many excellent recommendations which will be of exceptional influence in both high school and college education for some time. The dangers from extreme specialization and technical education are stressed. It urges full, well rounded, basic education for all citizens. This report stresses "education for an informed responsible life in our society, and to give the acquisition of common standards and common purposes."

Quotations from Grammar School Principals' Reports

Center School—Miss Loretta McHugh

During the past year emphasis has been placed upon the improvement of reading in the upper four grades of the school. Library reading has grown through the help and cooperation of those at the Public

Library. A specialized reading program has been developed under the leadership of the reading teacher, Anne Gallagher. Results of this program will be measured and compared through reading comprehension and vocabulary tests as administered under the Iowa Testing Program.

A departmental schedule has been carried out in Grades 5, 6, 7 and 8. Three teachers meeting one hundred two pupils daily specialize in certain subjects. Miss Anne Gallagher teaches reading and spelling, Miss Lorraine Porter has the social studies, science, and intermediate arithmetic, and Miss Loretta McHugh teaches English, music and the Junior High arithmetic.

In the Spring of 1945 the eighth grade earned sufficient money by means of a Gymkana to take a trip by boat to Provincetown. At the end of the school year the class donated money to the school nurse for the purchase of a mirror for her office. Another gift was made to the music supervisor for the purchase of records suitable for the primary grades.

As in former years the Girls' League and Boys' Patrol work with the teachers in the building and on the playground. Without these two groups of children, the teachers would find it very difficult to attend the numerous duties at hand.

The newest features effecting all grades of the schools is the establishment of honor rolls. The requirement for first honors is all E's and G's; and for second honors not more than one-third A's with the remaining marks either E's or G's. To be eligible for either honor roll the pupil must have superior citizenship qualities. Much interest, satisfaction, and improvement has been noted from term to term since the initiation of this plan.

Sturdy School—Mr. William M. Mahoney

We have continued our program of departmental instruction this year with most satisfactory results. Mrs. Covell, our new fifth and sixth grade teacher, has very ably handled the teaching of geography, history, and spelling in grades seven and eight, while the principal has taught arithmetic and music in grades five and six. It is felt that, by using this modified departmental program, a definite need is being filled in orienting those youngsters of junior high school age to the type of instruction they are to receive in the next two or three years.

The leaving of Mrs. Perry last June resulted in a gap in our teaching force which was willingly filled by Miss Mildred Wetherell. She has been teaching grades three and four from September until the writing of this report and has been doing some of the finest work that has ever been done in that room.

One of our major projects outlined for the coming year is the development of a new report card. It has long been the principal's philosophy that the report to parents should contain the information that parents want to know, not simply that which a group of teachers think they should know, and it is to this end that the new report card will be designed. We plan that all parents will have an opportunity to express opinion and offer criticism on the development of the report card so that it will truly be a report which tells the parents what he wants to know.

Barrowsville School—Mrs. Eleanor Clapp

The major change was made at the opening of school in September in transporting the eighth grade pupils to the Center School in Norton to give these pupils the benefit of departmental education. I feel that this move gave these pupils an excellent opportunity for this is one of the most important years of their school life. This change was made with the full consent of the parents.

I am proud to say that the pupils of this school have shown increased interest in reading during the past year. The issuing of State Reading Certificates to pupils in Grades IV to VIII is the incentive, I believe. The Library Corner, under the direction of the club officers, is run in conjunction with this. Book reports, dramatizations and exhibits have proven very interesting as well as valuable.

The Junior Red Cross Course under the supervision of the Physical Education Department of Wheaton College is being conducted every Thursday afternoon. Their direction and supervision in competitive activity is greatly needed in our school to further develop good sportsmanship and team-work.

Our school Janitor, Mr. Eugene Courchesne, deserves last but not least credit for the excellent condition in which we find our school each morning.

Closing

To the School Committee:

During the war years unusual and difficult problems have been presented to you. Your interest and attention to these and to the present post-war needs of the schools is sincerely appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

LAURENCE G. NOURSE,

Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Mr. Laurence G. Nourse,
Superintendent of Schools:

I herewith present my annual report of the Norton High School for the calendar year of 1945.

The enrollment of the high school was greater in September 1945 than it has been for the past few years. One hundred and one pupils have been enrolled up to October 1, 1945 of which sixty-seven were girls and thirty-four were boys.

Guidance (Education, Scholastic and Social)

Guidance in the Norton High School is a pleasant duty of all teachers. When an occasion arises and the teacher can help with some guidance this is done immediately. Miss Alta Estabrook interviews the three lower classes and completes their permanent records. She also checks all failing grades after each marking period. I do the same for the senior class. Letters, personal interviews and telephone calls are made to parents. Miss Estabrook has one period each day, but at times her interviews are completed after the close of school.

Lunch Room

After three years of excellent service Mrs. Charlotte Pierce resigned her position as hostess of our lunch room. The pupils will not forget the fine meals she served when food was scarce. When I thought that we couldn't serve meals she would have reserve menus that could be served. Selected pupils would help to serve the food and to wash dishes. When school opened in September 1945 we had secured the services of Mrs. Grace Kramer and later a helper, Mrs. Marjorie Foster. Mrs. Foster resigned in November and another will be secured.

Food is more plentiful at present and satisfactory hot meals are served for \$.15. Ice cream and packaged crackers are also sold. The high school requested sandwiches and these are being served. Mrs. Kramer has proved to be an excellent cook. Favorable reports have been received about the home cooked food which is being served.

The U. S. Government is paying seven cents for each hot meal. Without this we couldn't serve the food which is served and continue to exist. The report given to the School Committee each month shows a loss or a small profit. On the whole there is a deficit to date.

Money is on hand to purchase a new ten burner gas stove. Mrs. Kramer obtained this sum from a private money making enterprise. The Norton P. T. A. has voted to purchase an eight cubic foot refrigerator, when available. This will help the hostess and these two new articles can be moved into the new high school when it is erected.

We wish to serve a greater variety of foods and this can be hastened by having more cooking area..

Banking System

The several class and club funds are now included in one fund "The Norton School Fund." Mrs. Helen Yelle is the accountant. Mr. Nourse is the countersigner of the checks and I am the treasurer. I give a receipt to all who have money to deposit. The individual accounts are checked each month. My receipts are kept by the different treasurers of the smaller accounts as proof that their account has a given amount of money.

The several treasurers have our special deposit slip which is used when they leave money with me. A request for the withdrawal of money is signed by a faculty adviser and the individual treasurer. The requested check is then issued.

We all feel that this is a business-like way of dealing with the funds. No interest is obtained from this checking account.

The School Bank Fund is the same amount as stated in last year's report plus any interest. No entries have been made this year as the sale of stamps and bonds has been stressed. The U. S. Government now requests that the schools continue selling stamps and bonds. I feel that this is well until we find that stamp purchases obtains a smaller amount than was deposited in the school bank before the purchase of stamps was started. The money deposited in the First National Bank, Attleboro, is \$300.94.

Student Council

I feel that our Student Council is doing a grand job this year. Miss Bette Woodward, as president, surrounded by a group of willing workers, has completed assignments and have shown initiative in many ways.

All programs have been created by a committee from the School Council.

Miss Woodward has conducted these programs. A select few have been given the duty of policing the hall at all dismissals, recess, physical exercise periods and the closing of school.

Recently the Student Councils of Southern Massachusetts met at the New Bedford High School. Nine members from the Norton High, Mrs. Findlater and I enjoyed a most inspiring afternoon. Much information was obtained on what a council can do for a high school.

All requests have my approval before they are put into operation.

Moving Picture Schedule

Last Spring our movie machine was lost in transit from the repair shop to Mansfield. The Railway Express Company paid the amount of insurance and the School Committee paid the difference from school funds and a new machine is now in my office. The new machine is a Bell-Howell while the other one was a Victor.

Each teacher has selected some films and set a date for the showing of the same. Acceptances have been made and some changes were required. The grade teachers have made their selections.

New Courses

We have requests from pupils for new courses. A teacher is necessary to take over Geometry, Advanced Algebra, Solid Geometry, and Trigonometry. The latter is a new course. Advanced Geometry and Trigonometry should be presented. All of these courses are necessary for a pupil who wishes to become an engineer or just for cultural values.

A teacher coach is becoming a necessity. My time is so well taken up that I am unable to give the proper time for baseball and basketball. This new teacher would better the scholastic set-up and the physical training conditions in our school.

The lack of a physical education program has caused some boys to enter other high schools. Our baseball and basketball teams have suffered as a result.

Some type of vocational work for boys will come sooner or later. I have been unable to arrange for shop practice with any garage or industrial plant.

Household Arts is the only vocational course for the girls. Mrs. Charlotte Harnden is instructing in many types of work which are important to the home. This year, for the first time, we have one boy taking Household Arts II.

The French teacher should be relieved of teaching Plane Geometry. To date it seems impossible to make any changes.

I have four class periods during the six periods in the school day and can't take on more classes. At times my classes await me when I

am called out for school business. I am now teaching Solid Geometry to help a boy and this crowds me all the more, for a few months. My home visits should be made during the school day.

Social

The council, household arts classes, and sophomore class have presented assemblies.

Socials in the form of penny sales and dances have been conducted.

The senior class omitted the annual play this year due to the lack of pupils who would take the parts. Material was at a low ebb when we needed actors and actresses.

Music

Mrs. Alice Illingworth presented a school chorus for graduation in June. The music was appropriate and much credit is due this teacher.

Mrs. Illingworth resigned in June due to her general health and a desire to have all of her time for her home duties.

Mr. Nahum Gillespie, of Brockton, Massachusetts, was secured as the new Music Supervisor. Mr. Gillespie teaches music at Dean Academy and has private classes in voice at his home.

As in the past years some new sheet music has been obtained. The song books which were purchased in the last two years are of great value as supplementary music.

Diploma

Mr. Milton McMurrough has been awarded his diploma as of the class of 1939. His basic training and attendance at the Officers' Training School in the U. S. Army Air Corps provided the necessary credits. All credits were based upon the Army evaluation given to several technical and training courses.

Lastly, we wish more parents and friends could visit our school while in session. They would see crowded conditions that they would wish to banish. The pupils and the teachers really know that a new school, with better pupil conditions, is an immediate need. The teachers are doing creditable work under extremely poor working conditions.

We all appreciate the continued fine support which we have received from the parents, friends, the School Committee, the Superintendent of Schools, and say Thank You.

CHARLES S. RANDALL,

Principal

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ART

"Art tends toward balance, order, judgment of relative values, the laws of growth, the economy of living—very good things for anyone to be interested in,"—Robert Henri. They are certainly good things in which to be interested. It is my aim to continue the excellent work of my esteemed predecessor by encouraging each and every pupil in our schools to build a broader art vocabulary, to learn the simple laws and principles of design and to express himself creatively and freely so that enjoyment and appreciation of art will make his life richer and more meaningful.

The Household Arts group in the High School have had a brief course in Interior Decoration. A little time was devoted to styles of architecture and more to the best and possible treatment of walls, ceilings and floors; to home furnishings namely, draperies, floor coverings and furniture applying the principles of art and color. Suggestions for the renovation and redecoration of the teachers' room were submitted to Mrs. Harnden after a field trip to Fine's Dry Goods Store in Attleboro for the selection of the drapery and upholstery materials for the project. Early in the year, we anticipate a trip to the Rhode Island School of Design art museum in Providence to see the period furniture in the charming Pendleton House.

The freehand art classes in the High School have studied some color theory and its application, designed monograms, made flower compositions, created freebrush designs and landscape work in pencil, ink and color.

The handcraft class which meets after school is a small but enthusiastic group. Projects in leather—link belts, lapel gadgets, billfolds and purses—and blockprinting—Christmas cards—have been made.

The mechanical drawing classes have new text books, "Modern Drafting" by Johnson and Newkirk as well as new drawing boards, T squares and triangles. These should be an incentive to do better and more serious work.

In the grades, outlines for the teachers have been planned every month. Directed observation and creative expression have been stressed in the illustration, design and construction work. Figure drawing, trees, houses, lettering, measuring, color, borders showing repetition and alteration, axial and central balance design, special day projects and picture study are some of the subject matter which has been covered.

All grades from the fourth up through the High School are to enter the annual poster contest of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. The winners of last year's contest were:

Center School

First prize Billy Clarke
Second prize Mary Camara
Honorable mention Carmello Pino

Barrowsville School

First prize Jeannette Champagne
Second prize Georgette Richmond
Honorable mention Edward Courbron

Sturdy School

First prize Frances Perrott
First prize Ruffina Gonsalves
Honorable mention Jane Gross

My sincere thanks to the Superintendent of Schools, the High School Principal and the Teachers for their splendid co-operation and friendliness.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUISE B. SPIER

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

Having accepted the position of Supervisor of Music last September, my report will cover a rather short period of the past four months.

Our major activity during this period was the Christmas Pageant entitled, "Christmas in Song and Story." This was presented in Wheaton College Gymnasium on Sunday afternoon, December 23rd. The untiring efforts of Miss McHugh and Mr. Yelle contributed greatly to the success of the production.

I feel that we should not think of the various schools as separate units, and with that thought in mind, I tried in a small way to use some combinations. In this one I had a Girls' Junior Choir from the Sturdy School under the direction of their principal, Mr. William Mahoney, to-

gether with a vested choir composed of singers from the High School, and the 7th and 8th grades of the Center School.

During the Christmas vacation, quite a number of new records were added to be used in the Listening lessons.

This report gives me an opportunity to express my deep appreciation for the splendid cooperation I have received from you and your teachers. Also the friendliness shown me by the pupils has added greatly to the pleasure of my work.

Respectfully submitted,

NAHUM P. GILLESPIE

ADULT CIVIC EDUCATION CLASSES

The period from January 1945 until September 1945 found a loss of interest in these classes. There are not many applicants seeking citizenship papers. During the period mentioned about five applicants were granted citizenship as a result of their work and study. From September until December of 1945 there have been five registrations for citizenship work and filing of papers. As a result of this decrease, classes are held but once a month on the first Monday to assist those who are preparing for their examination or to make out the necessary forms for application to citizenship.

There are many in town that should avail themselves of this opportunity for American citizenship. All and any interested may contact the school or supervisor at any time for appointments.

LORETTA M. McHUGH,

Supervisor of Adult Education

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Physical examinations for the year 1945 have been completed. Our program has been the same as in previous years, for example:—Pre-school examinations, diphtheria-prevention work, care of playground injuries, and, of course, physical examinations.

There have been many colds, cases of grippe and pneumonia and a few cases of scarlet fever, but very few playground or schoolroom injuries.

Our regular regime, which has been in force for many years, is going along smoothly.

This is largely due to the fact that our School Nurse, Miss Repucci, our Teachers and Janitors are co-operative, very intelligent and thus aid our School Health Program.

I wish to thank them all.

Respectfully submitted,

ELMER W. CLARKE, M.D.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

I herewith submit a general report of the Health Work conducted in the Schools of Norton for 1945:

The annual physical examinations, for all elementary pupils, have been completed. Parents were notified of any defects found at this time by Dr. Elmer Clarke.

The Audiometer Test for hearing was conducted by Miss Christine Higgins of the State Department of Public Health for grades 3, 7, and High School Seniors. The State Department also subjected children with apparent defective eyesight to the Massachusetts Vision Test. Parents were again notified of any defects.

The entire School Department, including personnel and high school students, was X-rayed by the Bristol County Tuberculosis School Clinic. One hundred ten were examined and found negative.

Periodical checks were made in September, February and June of the growth and development of the pupils, and the results of these examinations were forwarded to parents at the end of the school year.

Toxoid, for the prevention of Diphtheria, was administered to five pre-school and nineteen school children in three inoculations, three weeks apart. It is the opinion of medical science that after a period of seven years, inoculations should be repeated to insure immunity.

The Well-Child Conference was substituted in May by a Pre-School Clinic under the direction of Dr. Elmer Clarke. Thirty children were examined.

The Salvation Army sponsored a vacation of ten days at Camp Wonderland, Sharon, Massachusetts, for eleven children. The results of the sojourn proved beneficial in the promotion of health and appearance.

I offer my sincere appreciaiton for the co-operation which was extended me by Mr. Laurence Nourse, Principals, Teachers, Janitors and Parents on the completion of my first year as director of the Health Program in the Town of Norton.

Respectfully submitted,

JENNIE REPUCCI, R.N.

EXTRACTS FROM THE SCHOOL CENSUS

October 1, 1945

	Males	Females	Total
Pupils between 7 and 16	212	222	434
Pupils between 5 and 7	51	36	87
	263	258	521

Sight and Hearing

Number of pupils examined	512
Number of pupils found defective in eyesight	7
Number of pupils found defective in hearing	7
Number of notices sent to parents	9
Number of employment certificates issued during year	35
Number of educational certificates issued during year	101
Number of days the elementary schools were in session	174
Number of days the high school was in session	181

THIRTY-NINTH GRADUATION OF THE NORTON HIGH SCHOOL

Wheaton College Gymnasium

Wednesday, June 20, 1945, at 8:00 P. M.

Class of 1945

PROGRAM

Processional

Seniors

Invocation

Reverend Hazel Rogers Gredler
 Unitarian Congregational Church
 Norton, Mass.

Salute to the Flag

Robert Cheyne (1947)

Address of Welcome

Alicia Michelina Ferrini

Song, "A Song of Joy" (Words and Music by Clara Edwards)

Girls' Chorus

Essay, "Now Is the Time to Act"

Norman Earle Briggs

Essay, "Juvenile Delinquency"

Alice Evelyn Miller

Song, "Ride Out on Wings of Song"

(Music by Jessie W. Heywood; Words by William Berwald)

Girls' Chorus

Address, "New Horizons for a New Day"

Mr. Mark R. Shibles

Superintendent of Schools, Belmont, Massachusetts

Presentation of the Washington and Franklin History Prize

Reverend Willard H. Roots, Mansfield, Massachusetts

Presentation of the Wheaton Awards

Miss Anne Mae Bellavance

Winner of Award in 1944

Presentation of Diplomas

Professor E. J. Knapton

Chairman, Norton School Committee

Benediction

Reverend Oscar Aldrich

Methodist Church, Chartley, Massachusetts

OFFICERS

President	Alicia Michelina Ferrini
Vice-President	Donald Joseph Thibeault
Secretary	Edward William Hyland
Treasurer	Miriam Alice Clarke

GRADUATES

CLASSICAL COURSE—Norman Earle Briggs, Miriam Alice Clarke, Alicia Michelina Ferrini, Gertrude Emily Lehr, Phyllis Louise Parker, Edward Truman Stark.

GENERAL COURSE—Howard Brooks Baker, Albert Anthony Gagne, Virginia May Gildersleeve, Lois Audrey Hinton, Helen Elizabeth Jenks, Edward Joseph Patenaude, Donald Joseph Thibeault.

COMMERCIAL COURSE—Eleanor Anne Bauza, Mary Ann Gonsalves, Edward William Hyland, Alice Evelyn Miller.

HOUSEHOLD ARTS COURSE—Marolyn Gertrude Farr.

COLORS	Maroon and White
MOTTO	"Peace, Freedom and Liberty"
FLOWER	White Carnation

FACULTY

Mr. Charles S. Randall, Principal
 Mrs. Helen J. Yelle
 Mrs. Jean Findlater
 Mrs. Charlotte Harnden
 Miss Alta Estabrook
 Mrs. Gloria Piersall
 Miss Loretta McHugh
 Mrs. Alice Illingworth
 Mrs. Rowena Rice

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CLASS POEM

by

Edward Truman Stark

Perhaps a little more gravely,
 Than carefree words betray,
 We add our class to the graduate roll
 With poetic phrases today.

Our four years of earnest endeavor
 Tempered by thoughts of war,
 Have sharpened our sense of values,
 Have filled our hearts with awe.

As we prepare now to enter
 Upon Life's battlefield here,
 We pause to remember, to wonder,
 Or perhaps to shed a tear.

Like the soldiers of other battles,
 We will dedicate our all
 To Peace—Freedom—Liberty;
 That evil and hate may fall.

GRADUATION EXERCISES

NORTON GRAMMAR SCHOOLS

Wheaton College Gymnasium

Wednesday, Evening, June 13, 1945, at 8:15 P. M.

PROGRAM

Invocation

Reverend James A. Downey

St. Mary's Church

Salute to the Flag

All will take part under the leadership of Dale H. Gould

Chorus—Gremlins

Ellen Jane Lorenz

All Graduates

Address—An Education—our Investment for the Future

Dr. C. Elwood Drake

Assistant Principal and Director of Guidance
 Newton High School

- Chorus—Tomorrow's Road Felix Mendelssohn
All Graduate
- Presentation of Honor Awards Mrs. Lucille C. Zwicker
Principal, Barrosவில் School
- Presentation of American Legion School Awards
Mr. Oscar H. Valequett
Commander, Harold A. Healy Post #222, American Legion
- Presentation of the English Prizes
Awarded by Norton Parent Teachers' Association
Mr. Leo G. Yelle, President
- Presentation of Diplomas Professor E. J. Knapton
Chairman, Norton School Committee
- Chorus—We March On Elmer S. Hosmer
All Graduates
- Benediction Reverend Alexander Cooper
Trinitarian Congregational Church
- A processional and recessional to the song "We March On"
 Program under the direction of Grammar School Principals
 Music under the direction of
 Mrs. Alice P. Illingworth, Supervisor of Music
 Mrs. Dorothy Lincoln Clarke, Accompanist

GRADUATES

CENTER SCHOOL

Charles S. Randall, Principal
 Loretta McHugh, Assistant Principal

Ruth Edna Baker	Myron J. Bowser
Robert Howard Caswell	Donald Bruce Eisnor
Barbara Foster	George Gero
Ruth Eleanor Goold	Thelma Iona Haskell
Edward Louis Hesford	John Moniz
George Arthur Moquin	Carmella Rose Pino
Leo Joseph Sanville	Alice Anna Schmid
John Bryson Scott, Jr.	Ritamay Tucker
Richard Sanborn Walker	Bette Ann White

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STURDY SCHOOL

William Mahoney, Principal

Stearns Frederick Briggs	Dorothy Ann Davis
Beverly Ethel Farris	Raymond Harold Gagne
Beverly Jane Gale	Marilyn Leah Gay
Dale Herbert Gould	Dorothy Louise Hoare
William Kenneth Jenks	Leo Paul Marien
Frances Lillian Perrott	Betty Tribou
Phyllis Waterman	

BARROWSVILLE SCHOOL

Lucille Zwicker, Principal

Jeannette Mary Theresa Champagne	Wanda Mae Davis
Roland Lawrence Dorothy	Georgette Mary Fortin
Jeanne Simone Fortin	Shirley Evelyn Mohr
Catherine Morrill	Lucille Marie Robert
Richard Weiner	

NAMES OF PUPILS WITH PERFECT ATTENDANCE, 1944-45

CENTER SCHOOL

Grade 2	Arnold Eschmann
Grade 5	Barbara Tierney
Grade 6	Marjorie Sweet
Grade 7	Vincent Ferrini
Grade 8	Ruth Goold
Grade 8	Carmella Pino

STURDY SCHOOL

None

BARROWSVILLE SCHOOL

Grade 2	Robert Leroux
Grade 8	Jeanette Champagne

NORTON HIGH SCHOOL

Howard Pike	Oscar Valequett
Joan Ash	Virginia Rosequist
Shirley Jewett	June Cathcart

ATTENDANCE TABLE FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE, 1945

School	Aggregate Attendance	Average Daily Attendance	Total Membership	Average Membership	Per Cent. of Attendance	Number of Tardy Marks	Number of Dismissals
High:							
Boys	5,138	28.39	34	30.14	94.19	73	10
Girls	10,279	56.79	62	59.78	95.00	77	14
Center:							
Grades 7 and 8	4,607	26.55	30	28.68	92.58	52	0
Grades 6 and 7	5,402.5	31.14	36	33.74	92.29	94	15
Grade 5	4,864.5	28.04	32	30.1	93.13	75	14
Grade 4	3,900.5	22.48	26	24.40	92.13	132	0
Grade 3	4,307	24.82	26	27.26	93.17	18	1
Grade 2	5,060.5	29.17	35	31.35	93.23	28	8
Grade 1	3,411	19.66	22	23.12	85.00	26	0
Sturdy:							
Grades 7 and 8	5,057	29.15	33	30.74	94.82	15	24
Grades 5 and 6	3,939.5	22.71	25	23.68	95.71	10	0
Grades 3 and 4	4,981	28.71	32	30.96	90.87	43	12
Grades 1 and 2	6,089.5	35.10	40	37.95	92.49	24	0
Barrowsville:							
Grades 6-8	3,887.5	22.41	29	25.08	89.35	43	11
Grades 3-5	4,993	28.78	34	31.43	91.44	84	5
Grades 1 and 2	4,020	23.17	27	25.97	89.21	59	3
	<u>79,937.5</u>	<u>457.07</u>	<u>523</u>	<u>494.38</u>	<u>92.16</u>	<u>853</u>	<u>117</u>

MEMBERSHIP IN NORTON SCHOOLS, OCTOBER 1, 1945

GIRLS

Age	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	Total
Grade 1	10	8	1												19
Grade 2		2	12	10	1										25
Grade 3			8	17	1	2									28
Grade 4				6	11	4	2								23
Grade 5					6	18	2		3						29
Grade 6						7	14	4		3					28
Grade 7						1	5	9	2	3	1				21
Grade 8								6	15	3	2				26
Grade 9									1	10	11	5			27
Grade 10										2	10	7	2		21
Grade 11												5	2		7
Grade 12													7	5	12
Total	10	10	21	33	19	32	23	19	21	21	24	17	11	5	266

Ungraded—One age 13—Barrowsville School

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MEMBERSHIP IN NORTON SCHOOLS, OCTOBER 1, 1945

BOYS

Age	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	Totals
Grade 1	11	18	4												33
Grade 2		5	11	9	2										27
Grade 3			3	14	15	4	2								38
Grade 4				4	10	6	6	3		1					30
Grade 5				1	3	5	5	6							20
Grade 6						2	8	12	4						26
Grade 7						2	2	9	1	4	2				18
Grade 8								1	8	6	3	1			19
Grade 9										5	7	2	1		15
Grade 10												7	5	1	13
Grade 11													3	1	4
Grade 12														2	2
Total	11	23	18	28	30	17	23	31	13	16	12	10	9	4	245

TEACHERS, DECEMBER 31, 1945

School	Name	Date Appt.	Where Educated
High:			
	Charles S. Randall, B.S., Ed.M. Principal	1921	Middlebury College Harvard University
	Alta M. Estabrook, A.B.	1943	Colby College
	Jean M. Findlater, A.B.	1936	Wheaton College
	Helen J. Yelle, B.S.Ed.	1917	Fitchburg State Teachers' College Boston University
	Henri A. Yelle, A.B.	1935	University of Dayton
	Charlotie S. Harnden	1941	Framingham State Teachers' College
Center:			
Grade 8	Loretta McHugh, B.S.Ed., M.Ed.	1935	Bridgewater State Teachers' College Boston University
Grade 6-7	Lorraine Porter, B.S.Ed.	1945	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
Grade 5-6	Anne Gallagher, B.S.Ed.	1945	Boston University
Grade 4	Margaret Mahoney	1943	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
Grade 3	Marie E. Gargan, B.S.Ed.	1943	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
Grade 2	Mildred Green	1924	Wheaton College
Grade 1	Elisabeth Raymond, B.S.Ed.	1942	Teachers' College, Columbia University
Sturdy:			
Grade 7-8	William Mahoney, B.S.Ed. Principal	1942	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
Grade 5-6	Anastasia Covell	1945	Fitchburg State Teachers' College
Grade 3-4	Mildred Wetherell	1921	Hyannis State Teachers' College
Grade 2-1	Esther M. Bradstreet	1917	Wheelock College

TEACHERS, DECEMBER 31, 1945—(Continued)

Barrowsville:

Grade 5-7	Eleanor Clapp	1945	Hyannis State Teachers' College
Grade 3-4	Natalie Alger, B.S.Ed.	1945	Wheelock College
Grade 1-2	Dorothy Russell, B.S.Ed.	1941	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
Drawing	Louise B. Spier, B.S.Ed.	1945	Mass. School of Art
Music	Nahum Gillespie	1945	New England Conservatory of Music

Member of teaching force on leave of absence for military service:

Lt. George F. Johnson, B.S.Ed. Hq. C.S.C.T.C. Trng. Div.	1938	Bridgewater State Teachers' College
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WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

1946

Bristol, ss

To Benjamin B. Scanlon or either of the Constables of the Town of
Norton, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Norton to meet in the Town Hall in said Norton on Monday evening the fourth day of March, 1946 at eight o'clock, then and there to act on the following articles: and you are also hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of the said Town to meet in the Town Hall in said Norton on Monday, March 11, 1946 at 12 o'clock noon to elect one Selectman, one Assessor, one member of the Board of Water Commissioners, one member of the School Committee, one member of the Board of Public Welfare, each for a term of three years, and one member of the Board of Public Welfare for a term of one year (to fill vacancy); also a Town Clerk, a Treasurer, a Collector of Taxes, and one or more Constables, a Tree Warden and a Moderator all to serve for one year.

The polls may be closed at 8 o'clock P. M.

Article 1. To choose all other town officers required by law and not provided for on the ballot.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the report of the town officers.

Article 3. To determine the salaries of the town officials for the ensuing year in accordance with Chapter 41, Sec. 108 General Laws, viz Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Assessors, Collector of Taxes, Moderator, Tree Warden, Constables, Water Commissioner and School Committee.

Article 4. To raise and appropriate money to defray the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year.

(a) For repairs and improvement of roads.

(b) For repairs and improvement of bridges and railings and other necessary tools and equipment.

(c) For the support of schools, school supplies, transportation, vocational education, salary of the superintendent, school physician, attendance officers and repairs.

(d) For the maintenance and operating expenses of the water department.

(e) For the support of the public library.

(f) For Memorial Day exercises.

(g) For the care and repairs of the Common at the Center (Library Square).

(h) For the maintenance and running expenses of the fire department.

(i) For payment of state and military aid.

(j) For payment of soldiers relief.

(k) For public welfare and aid to dependent children.

(l) For expense of the Board of Health.

(m) For payment of town debt.

(n) For interest on town debts and temporary loans.

(o) For the expense and prevention of forest fires.

(p) For the expense of the police department.

(q) For the expense of the tree warden.

(r) For the expense of the town hall.

(s) For the registration and election expenses, including salaries.

(t) For General Government including salaries and expenses of the following town officers: town clerk, treasurer, selectmen, board of public welfare, assessors, collector of taxes, accountant and moderator.

(u) For an appropriation in pursuance of Chapter 436 Acts of 1936 (Old Age Assistance Law).

(v) For the expense of the sealer of weights and measures.

(w) For the expense of printing and delivering the annual town reports.

(x) For insurance on public buildings, compensation insurance and insurance on all town trucks including the fire trucks in accordance with Chapter 403 Acts of 1936.

(y) For the removal of snow.

(z) For the salary of a nurse for work in the public schools for the current year.

Article 5. To raise and appropriate money for the suppression of the gypsy and brown tail moths.

Article 6. To raise and appropriate money for the town's proportion of the annual maintenance of the Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital.

Article 7. To see what action the town will take to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquor in the town and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to authorize the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1946 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Sec. 17, Chap. 44 General Laws.

Article 9. To raise and appropriate money for legal services.

Article 10. To raise and appropriate money for street lighting.

Article 11. To hear the report of the Committee on Reforestation including repairs on the town farm, and take any action thereon.

Article 12. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out the recommendations of the "Reforestation Committee" regarding reforestation.

Article 13. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out the recommendations of the Reforestation Committee regarding repairs at the town farm, to be expended under the supervision of said committee.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to authorize any board of town officials to appoint any of their number to any other office and fix the compensation according to Chapter 41 Sec. 4A G. L.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for a Reserve Fund as authorized by Chapter 40 General Laws, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the state or county or both under Chapter 90 for the Maintenance of Chapter 90 roads in town or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Surplus Revenue to reduce the tax rate of 1946 subject to General Laws.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to transfer a sum of of money from the Machinery Equipment Fund to the Machinery Equipment Account for the purpose of purchasing the following equipment for the highway department; a new truck, a road sander and a used utility truck or passenger car or take any action relative thereto.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to transfer a sum of money to be used for the purposes of the Committee on Public Safety, under the provisions of Chapter 487, Acts of 1941, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay certain bills under Sec. 64, Chap. 44 or take any action relative thereto.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the salary and expenses of the Dog Officer.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the general care of town owned cemeteries or take any action relative thereto (by request of the Cemetery Commissioners).

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money for the purchase of War Bonds or other bonds that are legal investments for savings banks, in order to establish a post war rehabilitation fund, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Acts of 1943 (by suggestion of Henry F. Long, Com. of Corporations and Taxation).

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County or both under Chapter 90 for the construction of a Tarvia road on South Worcester Street and Eddy Street, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 25. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Machinery Equipment Fund for the purpose of purchasing the following equipment for the Highway Department: a Gasoline Engine to provide power for pumping tar and a Snow Plow for new truck, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of purchasing a tract of land to be used as a Public Dump, located on Hill Street in the Town of Norton or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 27. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for improvements of Highway Department Garages, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,390.00 in full compensation for certain real estate taken by eminent domain under Chapter 79 of the General Laws by the County Commissioners of Bristol County for the construction of Bay Road so-called in said Norton as provided by the Acts of 1945, Chap. 549 or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 29. To hear the report of the School Planning Committee authorized at the last town meeting and take any action relative thereto.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used under the direction of the School Planning Committee to meet the costs of initial plans for a Junior-Senior High School, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 31. To see if the town will vote to transfer from available funds in the Treasury a sum of money to purchase Defense Bonds, War Bonds, or other bonds which are legal investments for savings banks, in order to establish a post-war rehabilitation fund for the erection of a new school, in accordance with Chapter 5 of the Acts of 1943 or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 32. To see what action the town will take to properly celebrate the return of the men and women who served in or were affiliated or associated, with the armed forces of the United States in World War II and to see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to defray the expenses of any celebration as authorized under Chapter I of the Acts of 1946, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 33. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase the land on which the Chartley Fire Station is located, and land adjacent to it, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 34. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used with an appropriation of last year for the purchase of a Fire Truck for Norton Grove, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 35. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for purchase of OCD Trailer Pump and Equipment, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 36. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept an easement or deed, from the United States of America, to a certain strip of land known as North Boundry Road, located between Washington Street and the Norton-Taunton town line, situated in the Town of Norton, County of Bristol, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, containing 2.738 acres, more or less, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 37. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 85 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, relative to the payment of pensions for policemen and firemen. (By Petition)

Article 38. That the provisions of Chapter 32, Section 85 relative to pensions for policemen and firemen be accepted.
(By Petition)

Article 39. To see if the town will vote to accept the following excavated and graveled roads on the Pitt Clarke Farms sub-division off Mansfield Avenue, namely Pitt Clarke Road, Avery Road, Stillman Road, and Meadow Way. (By Petition)

Article 40. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of finishing Reservoir Street, from Birch Lane to Mansfield Avenue. (By Petition)

Article 41. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water mains along Taunton Avenue, to a point opposite the residence of Edward Marvel, starting on Clapp Street, beginning at the point where the water mains now end, by the way of Taunton Avenue, or take any other action relative thereto. (By Petition)

Article 42. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water main from a point on Mansfield Avenue, to and along the excavated and graveled roads to Pitt Clarke sub-division—a total of about 1900 feet, as follows: Pitt Clarke Road, Avery Road, Stillman Road and Meadow Way or take any other action relative thereto. (By Petition)

Article 43. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water mains from Elm Street, to Mansfield Avenue, by the way of Reservoir Street, through the section of the town known as Norton Grove, or take any other action relative thereto. (By Petition)

Article 44. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water mains from Mansfield Avenue, to Elm Street, through Reservoir Street, or take any other action relative thereto. (By Petition)

Article 45. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of extending the water mains from Pine Street and along Plain Street, to South Washington Street, approximately eight-tenths of a mile or take any other action relative thereto. (By Petition)

Article 46. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water mains from the junction of East Main Street, and Washington Street northward to Newcomb Street, a distance of about one and one-fourth miles, or take any other action thereon. (By Petition)

Article 47. To see if the town will vote to accept Chapter 723 of the Acts of 1945 entitled "An Act authorizing the establishment and maintenance of municipal departments and of districts for furnishing information, advice and assistance to Veterans of World War II, or other veterans," or take any action relative thereto.

(Approved July 25, 1945)

Article 48. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the extension of water mains of not less than six inches in diameter on the following Streets: Taunton Avenue, Pitt Clarke Road, Avery Road, Stillman Road, Meadow Way, Reservoir Street, Plain Street, North Washington Street, and determine how the same shall be raised, or take any action relative thereto.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies of the body of the same at each of the public meeting houses and at least three other public places in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

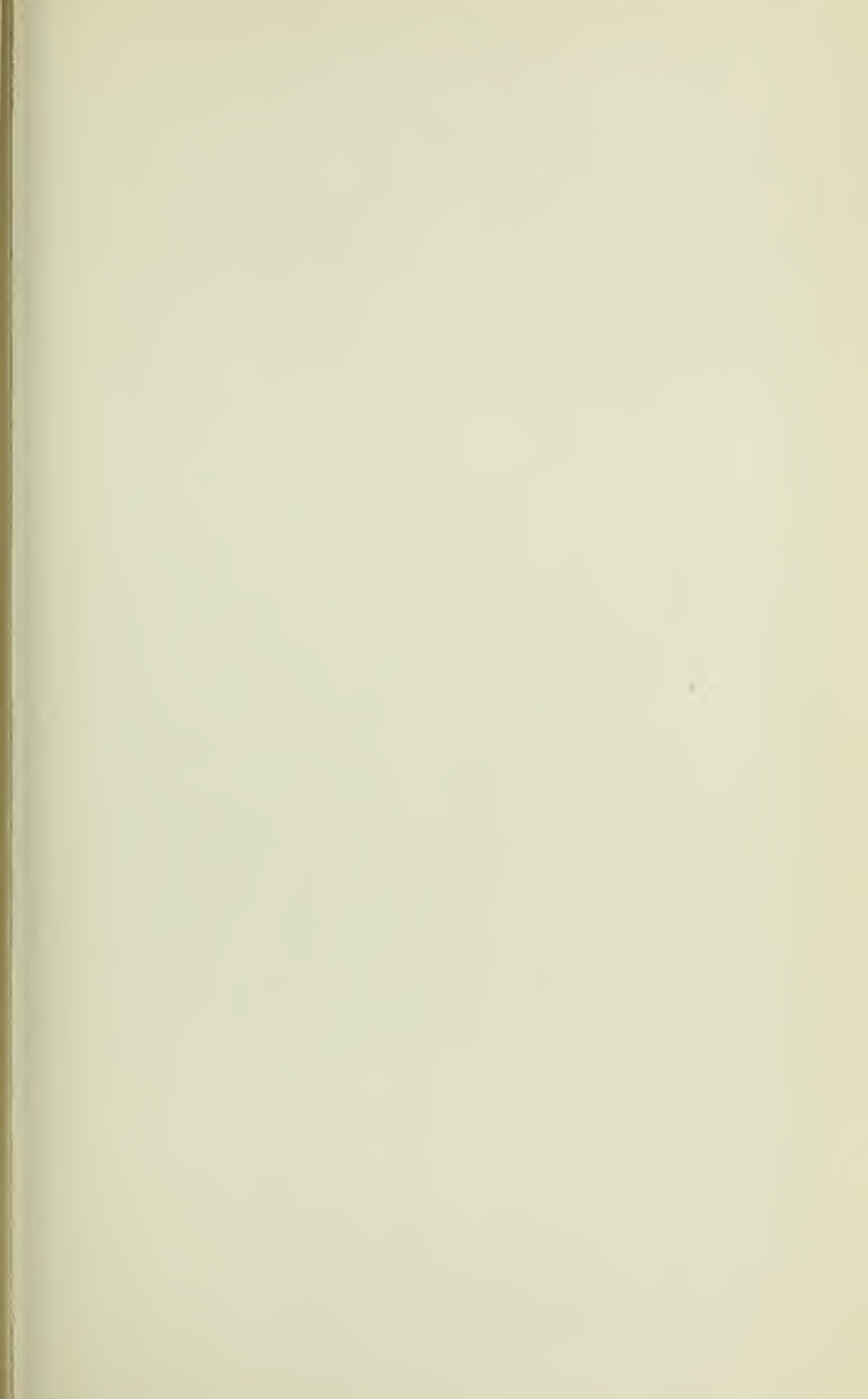
Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the acting moderator, at the time and place of holding said meeting.

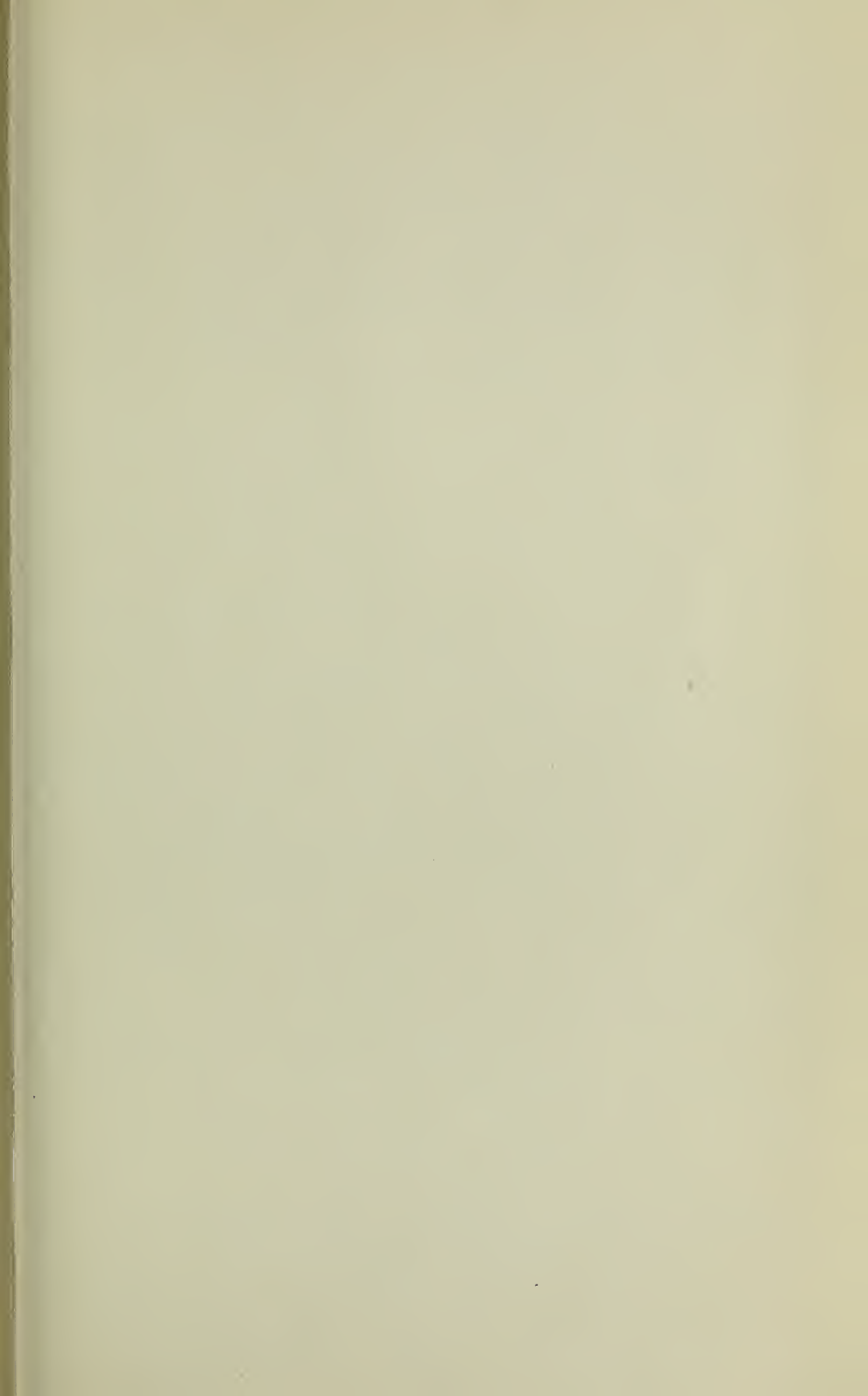
Given under our hands this first day of February in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Six.

JOHN B. SCOTT
JOHN G. ADAIR
WILLIAM J. TUCKER
Selectmen of Norton

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